

House Resolution 2340

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Coach Rich McWhorter for his contributions to Charlton  
2 County and athletics; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Rich McWhorter's contributions to Charlton County and to athletics in  
4 the State of Georgia are unparalleled; and

5 WHEREAS, he is widely recognized throughout Georgia as the personification of excellence  
6 in high school basketball; and

7 WHEREAS, after coming to Charlton County for his first football season in 1988, the magic  
8 began while as Head Coach, the Charlton County Indians won the Region A Championship  
9 in 1990 and were runners up for the State Championship; and

10 WHEREAS, in 2000, the Indians moved from Class A to Class AA and the Charlton County  
11 Indians have achieved 173 wins during Coach McWhorter's tenure; and

12 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Coach McWhorter, the Charlton County Indians have  
13 earned recognition as a team of champions with the achievement of back to back Class AA  
14 State Championships in 2004 and 2005; Class A State Championship in 1999; state runner  
15 up in 1990 and 2003; and Region Champs in 1990, 1992, 1994-2000, 2002, and 2003; and

16 WHEREAS, at the 68th Annual Banquet of the Touchdown Club of Atlanta, Coach  
17 McWhorter was presented the highest recognition a high school coach can receive from that  
18 organization, the Wright Bazemore Award; and

19 WHEREAS, Coach McWhorter also received the Nike AA Coach of the Year in 1999, 2004,  
20 and 2005, and the GACC Coach of the Year in 2004 and 2005; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Daniel could not have achieved all the successes and recognitions in his  
2 life without the love and support of his wife, Sidney, and his two daughters, Darby and  
3 Hagin; and

4 WHEREAS, his role as a coach was to act as an instrument of inspiration and enthusiasm to  
5 his players; to create a positive learning environment by encouraging competitive instincts;  
6 and to instill the values and positive characteristics of hard work, dedication, and integrity;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, he is a shining example of the important impact that the efforts of individual  
9 coaches make on the quality of athletic training received by the young people of this state,  
10 and it is abundantly fitting and proper that his superlative accomplishments be recognized  
11 appropriately.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
13 the members of this body recognize and commend Coach Rich McWhorter for his  
14 contributions to Charlton County High School, the community of Charlton County, and to  
15 athletics in the State of Georgia.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Rich McWhorter.