

## House Resolution 256

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the 2007 Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race, hosted annually by the Fannin  
3 County Chamber of Commerce, celebrates its tenth anniversary on April 14, 2007; and
- 4 WHEREAS, beginning in 1998 with 15 teams, the race has grown to include 90 co-ed teams  
5 of three, competing on a rigorous course of approximately 35 to 40 miles of rugged terrain  
6 in the Chattahoochee National Forest; and
- 7 WHEREAS, adventure racing is an exciting team sport that uniquely combines multiple  
8 disciplines such as running, biking, rowing, and climbing over long and difficult outdoor  
9 courses and has traditionally encouraged mixed gender competition; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the 10th Annual Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race will feature racing  
11 venues in running, canoeing, and mountain biking and will include a number of surprise  
12 challenges as contestants approach the finish line in downtown Blue Ridge City Park, where  
13 there will be bluegrass music, food, and Blue Ridge hospitality waiting for them; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Blue Ridge has been named as the location for the site of the United States  
15 Adventure Racing Association's national competition on November 3, 2008; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the Blue Ridge race has generated a significant economic return each year and  
17 has attracted the attention of outdoor enthusiasts throughout the country, bringing national  
18 recognition to the beauty and hospitality of the Blue Ridge community and the State of  
19 Georgia.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
21 the members of this body recognize the Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race and

1 congratulate the Blue Ridge community on being chosen as the site for the 2008 United  
2 States Adventure Racing Association's national competition.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Fannin County Chamber  
5 of Commerce.