

House Resolution 970

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Heard of the 114th, McKillip of the 115th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Fleming of the 117th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team on winning the 2006 NCAA
2 National Championship; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 2006 the University of Georgia "Gym Dogs" Gymnastics Team won its
4 seventh NCAA National Championship, posting an amazing 36-0 record for its fourth
5 undefeated season in program history; and

6 WHEREAS, no other NCAA gymnastics team has completed an undefeated season; and

7 WHEREAS, 2006 also marked the team's fifteenth Southeastern Conference Championship,
8 which is more championships than all other conference teams combined; and

9 WHEREAS, this outstanding team includes Freshman Courtney Kupets, a member of the
10 2004 U.S. Olympic team and winner of the NCAA All-Around, Balance Beam, and Uneven
11 Bars individual national titles; Junior Kelsey Ericksen, winner of the SEC All-Around, Vault,
12 Bars, and Floor titles; and teammates Audrey Bowers, Paige Burns, Nikki Childs, Adrienne
13 Dishman, Megan Dowlen, Christi Fortunato, Katie Heenan, Lauren Johnson, Ashley Kupets,
14 Courtney McCool, Marcia Newby, Lauren Sessler, Abby Stack, Grace Taylor, and Tiffany
15 Tolnay; and

16 WHEREAS, the "Gym Dogs" have established and maintained a proud tradition of
17 excellence with equal emphases on character and academics, and their phenomenal
18 performance is a clear indication of their outstanding athletic ability, the dedication and hard
19 work, the unity of purpose and spirit of each member of the team; and the astute direction of
20 Head Coach Suzanne Yoculan.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body commend the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team for its
23 unparalleled achievements and extend their sincerest best wishes for its continued success.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Head Coach Suzanne
- 3 Yoculan.