

## House Resolution 1099

By: Representatives Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>, Carter of the 175<sup>th</sup>, Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>, Roberts of the 154<sup>th</sup>, and Royal of the 171<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending David Dean as head coach of the Valdosta State University  
2 football team; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, due to the superior coaching abilities of Head Coach David Dean, the Valdosta  
4 State University football team claimed the 2007 NCAA Division II National Championship,  
5 their second title in the last four years and third title game appearance in six years; and

6 WHEREAS, in his first season, Coach Dean steered his team to a 13-1 record season,  
7 overcoming second half deficits in six of the 13 wins; and

8 WHEREAS, Coach Dean has been named the American Football Coaches Association  
9 Division II Coach of the Year, an award voted on by his peers; and

10 WHEREAS, he was also named Division II Coach of the Year by *American Football Weekly*  
11 and by Schutt Sports; and

12 WHEREAS, the Touchdown Club of Atlanta presented him with the NCAA Division II  
13 Coach of the Year award; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Dean is only the second NCAA Division II coach to lead his team to a  
15 national championship in his first season.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the members of this body commend Head Coach David Dean for his outstanding  
18 achievements and extend their sincerest best wishes for continued success in the future.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Head Coach David Dean.