

House Resolution 1100

By: Representatives Lane of the 158th, Burns of the 157th, Parrish of the 156th, Greene of the 149th, Freeman of the 140th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and recognizing Jayson Foster; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, senior Jayson Foster quarterbacked for Georgia Southern University football
3 team during the 2007 football season; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he recently received the 2007 Walter Payton Award, which is awarded annually
5 to the best offensive player in the country in I-AA football, becoming one of only two
6 players in Eagle history to receive this prestigious award; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 2007, he was named Associated Press First Team All-American as a running
8 back and "Offensive Player of the Year" in a vote by the Southern Conference's head
9 coaches; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a vote from a national panel of Football Championship Subdivision sports
11 information directors and selected FCS media from around the country recognized the role
12 he played in helping his team rebound this season; and
- 13 WHEREAS, his 1,844 yards, second nationally in rushing yards per game, set an NCAA
14 Division I record for most rushing yards by a quarterback, the second-highest total in a
15 Georgia Southern University season, and third-most in Southern Conference history; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he recorded a team-leading 24 touchdowns on the ground; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he completed 109 out of 170 passes for 1,203 yards and six touchdowns, and
18 his 3,047 total offense yards and 431 plays were just two of the multiple records he set this
19 year; and
- 20 WHEREAS, his personal-best 4.34 time in the 40-yard dash ranks as the third-fastest time
21 among Georgia Southern University players over the past ten years; and

1 WHEREAS, in games that Jayson has started as quarterback, Georgia Southern University
2 owned a 15-7 record, and in 2005 and 2007, he has missed only one start due to an injury,
3 but still played in the game; and

4 WHEREAS, he ended the year ranked second nationally in rushing yards, third in scoring,
5 twelfth in total offense, fifth in all-purpose yards, thirty-first in passing efficiency, and
6 forty-ninth averaging 7.8 yards per punt return.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body recognize Jayson Foster and commend him for his exemplary
9 football career at Georgia Southern University and wish him the best for the future.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jayson Foster.