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House Resolution 1286

By: Representatives Holmes of the 61st, Thomas of the 55th, Kaiser of the 59th, Howard of the 121st, Frazier of the 123rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda and declaring the
- 2 week of February 10-16, 2008, as "FBLA-PBL Week" in the State of Georgia; and for other
- 3 purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America concept was begun in 1937 by
- 5 Dr. Hamden L. Forkner, then chairman of the Commercial Education Department of the
- 6 Teachers College of Columbia University and was accepted for official sponsorship in 1940
- 7 by the National Council for Business Education; and
- 8 WHEREAS, 16 years after the first high school chapter was chartered in Johnson City,
- 9 Tennessee, Phi Beta Lambda became an independent division of the Future Business Leaders
- 10 of America; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc., is a nonprofit
- 12 career and technical student organization that prepares students for careers in business and
- business education with 250,000 members and advisers in 12,000 chartered chapters
- 14 including representatives from the United States, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and
- 15 Europe; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda's mission is to bring
- 17 business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative
- 18 leadership and career development programs; and
- 19 WHEREAS, some of the most notable alumni include singer Johnny Mathis, NFL
- 20 quarterback Troy Aikman, former Governor of Mississippi Ronnie Musgrove, and former
- 21 First Lady Patricia Nixon who was an FBLA adviser during her years as a high school
- 22 teacher; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Technical College chapter of Phi Beta Lambda serves the students

- 2 of metropolitan Atlanta to prepare them for careers in business and business education.
- 3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 4 the members of this body recognize the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta
- 5 Lambda, Inc., and declare the week of February 10-16, 2008, as "FBLA-PBL Week" in the
- 6 State of Georgia.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 8 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Atlanta Technical College
- 9 and Stephanie Sherrer, President, Phi Beta Lambda Chapter 9720.