

House Resolution 1414

By: Representatives Crawford of the 16<sup>th</sup>, Dempsey of the 13<sup>th</sup>, Loudermilk of the 14<sup>th</sup>, and Reece of the 11<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia School for the Deaf Girls' Basketball Team as the  
2 champions of the 31st Annual Girls' Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament and inviting them  
3 to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia School for the Deaf Girls' Basketball team are the Champions of  
5 the 31st Annual Girls' Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament held January 24-26, 2008, in  
6 Jackson, Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, the Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament is the premier basketball tournament  
8 for students from deaf schools in the southeastern United States, and this year's tournament  
9 included 11 schools from ten different states; and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia School for the Deaf defeated the Florida School for the Deaf and  
11 Blind 56-45 in the championship game; and

12 WHEREAS, this is the second Girls' Mason-Dixon Tournament title that the school has won;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, the team was ably led by Head Coach Danny Woolmaker, Assistant Coach  
15 Sheila Johnson, Scorekeeper Denise Hunter, and Team Manager Ashley Baty; and

16 WHEREAS, three of the team members, Brittney Daughtry, Tanya Dawson, and Latonya  
17 Dawson were selected as members of the 2008 All Tournament Team; and

18 WHEREAS, Brittney Daughtry was selected as the Most Valuable Player of the 2008 Girls'  
19 Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament; and

20 WHEREAS, the other outstanding team members were Maurissa Adams, Biunica English,  
21 Amy Lee, Kamaria Peavy, Kandace Ross, Jessie Smith, Talaya Still, and Ryan Welch; and

1 WHEREAS, in a world which consistently seems to accentuate the negative aspects of the  
2 actions of young people, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with  
3 particularity the superlative accomplishments of this extraordinary team of individuals.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body recognize and commend the 2008 Georgia School for the Deaf  
6 Girls' Basketball Team on their outstanding accomplishments, and invite them to appear  
7 before this body at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House for the purposes  
8 of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate copy of this resolution.