

House Resolution 1578

By: Representative Rice of the 51<sup>st</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Markus Jordan Edwards; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Markus Jordan Edwards of Troop 525 at the Simpsonwood United Methodist  
3 Church in Norcross, Georgia, has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, the most distinguished  
4 rank conferred by the Boy Scouts of America; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mark is the son of Steve and Linda Edwards and is a senior at Greater Atlanta  
6 Christian School where he plays shortstop for the Spartans; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mark has been an active scout since he was in second grade and as a Cub Scout  
8 he earned the Arrow of Light, which is the highest award in cub scouting; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he has held several leadership positions in the Boy Scouts, including: patrol  
10 leader, instructor, assistant senior patrol leader, and senior patrol leader; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in 2006, Mark served as the chaplain for Crew 615-L at the Philmont Scout  
12 Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico, and the crew hiked 85 miles in 12 days; and
- 13 WHEREAS, for his Eagle Leadership Service Project, he designed and installed an outdoor  
14 classroom at Cornerstone Christian Academy; and
- 15 WHEREAS, only one scout out of 97 ever reaches this lofty level of achievement, and Mark  
16 has ably demonstrated his aptitude and competency in mastering the various special skills  
17 taught through the Boy Scout program; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with particularity  
19 the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary individual.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body commend Markus Jordan Edwards for his diligence and dedication  
3 in pursuing the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts of America and congratulate him  
4 on attaining the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Markus Jordan Edwards.