

House Resolution 1597

By: Representative O`Neal of the 146<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending former Houston County High School Athletic Director and  
2 Head Football Coach Doug Johnson; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Johnson graduated from Warner Robins High School in 1973, where he  
4 played football for the Demons from 1969 until 1972; and

5 WHEREAS, after graduation he attended the Citadel on a football and baseball scholarship;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, upon graduating from the Citadel, he returned to Houston County and began  
8 working as an assistant coach for Northside High School; and

9 WHEREAS, Coach Johnson moved to Warner Robins High School in 1981, and spent ten  
10 years as the assistant coach and offensive coordinator; and

11 WHEREAS, in 1991, he was appointed as the first Athletic Director and Head Coach at  
12 Houston County High School; and

13 WHEREAS, he retired from coaching in July, 2006, after 29 years of coaching; and

14 WHEREAS, while coaching the Bears, he compiled a 99-77-1 record, was named Region  
15 Coach of the Year 11 times, Region Athletic Director of the Year in 1997, All-Middle  
16 Georgia Coach of the Year by the *Macon Telegraph* in 1993, and was awarded 2006 Coach  
17 of the Year by the Atlanta Area Officials Association; and

18 WHEREAS, Coach Johnson has coached thousands of young men in the middle Georgia  
19 area, and assisted many in receiving college scholarships throughout his career; and

1 WHEREAS, he has instilled the value of hard work, good sportsmanship, and fair play in the  
2 hearts of many; and

3 WHEREAS, it is only right and proper that this indefatigable champion for the youth of his  
4 community be recognized and commended.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
6 the members of this body recognize and commend former Houston County High School  
7 Athletic Director and Head Coach Doug Johnson for his many contributions to his  
8 community and the state.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Doug Johnson.