House Resolution 1997

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Fannin County High School Mock Trial program; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Mock Trial Competition helps students gain an understanding of
- 4 the legal system by providing opportunities for school teams to participate in academic
- 5 competitions where players assume the roles of attorneys and witnesses in a court case, and
- 6 professional attorneys coach these students in developing skills in questioning, critical
- 7 thinking, oral advocacy, listening, speaking, reading, and reasoning; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Fannin County High School Mock Trial Team has established a tradition
- 9 of excellence and success by winning the Northwest Georgia Region Championship for three
- 10 consecutive years; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Fannin County High School Mock Trial Team has recently participated in
- 12 the state-wide competition and made a successful showing; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the team members have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and high
- standards and have worked diligently; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the members of the team are Alexis Cooke, Kassie Washuta, Zoë Wolford,
- 16 Brian Pope, Erica Weaver, Matt Gaddis, Sara Walton, Krista Curtis, Belle Doss, Matt
- 17 Ralston, Nathan Sutton, Sara Jordan, Clay Henry, Katie Thompson, John Behrens, Kim
- 18 Baugh, Drew Dillard, and Bradley Walker; the attorney coaches are Amanda H. Mercier and
- 19 Lynn Doss; and the outstanding faculty coach is Theresa Dillard; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Fannin County Mock Trial Team members who received state awards are Matt
- 21 Ralston, Outstanding Attorney award; Clay Henry, Brian Pope, and Nathan Sutton,
- 22 Outstanding Witness awards; Zoë Wolford, admitted to Student Bar Association; and Alexis
- 23 Cooke, admitted to Student Bar Association; and

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1 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with particularity

- 2 the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary program.
- 3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 4 the members of this body join together in recognizing and commending the outstanding
- 5 efforts of the Fannin County High School Mock Trial program.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Fannin County High
- 8 School Mock Trial program.