

## House Resolution 1594

By: Representatives Drenner of the 86<sup>th</sup>, Abrams of the 84<sup>th</sup>, Benfield of the 85<sup>th</sup>, and Henson of the 87<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Coach Marynell Meadors on being named the 2009 WNBA  
2 Coach of the Year and inviting her to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and  
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Coach Marynell Meadors has long been recognized for her amazing ability to  
5 bring out the best performances from her players and her commitment to promoting the work  
6 of female athletes; and

7 WHEREAS, she has diligently and conscientiously devoted her time, talents, and energy for  
8 the past 35 years to challenging athletes as a coach and currently serves as general manager  
9 and head coach of the WNBA's Atlanta Dream; and

10 WHEREAS, Coach Meadors earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Middle Tennessee  
11 State University and began her prestigious coaching career at Tennessee Tech University as  
12 the first head coach of the women's basketball program; and

13 WHEREAS, she dedicated 20 years to the Golden Eagles, posting a school record winning  
14 percentage of .723, earning two Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year awards and a  
15 Metro Conference Coach of the Year award, and steering her team to four conference  
16 championships and two Metro Conference titles; and

17 WHEREAS, Coach Meadors also served as head coach at Florida State University, where  
18 she transformed the Seminoles into a winning program and led them to a Metro Conference  
19 Championship and the second round of the NCAA Tournament; and

20 WHEREAS, this year, Coach Meadors enters her second season with the WNBA's Atlanta  
21 Dream, her fourth with the WNBA family, and was recently honored as the 2009 WNBA  
22 Coach of the Year; and

23 WHEREAS, during her tenure in the WNBA, Coach Meadors has inspired fans and players  
24 of the Atlanta Dream, the Charlotte Sting, the Miami Sol, and the Washington Mystics,  
25 helping lead the Stings and Mystics to playoff appearances; and

26 WHEREAS, in recognition of her contributions to the field of sports and her excellent  
27 basketball coaching abilities, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the  
28 extraordinary commitment and accomplishments of this outstanding individual.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body commend Coach Marynell Meadors on her impressive coaching  
31 career, congratulate her on being honored as the 2009 WNBA Coach of the Year, and invite  
32 her to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be designated by  
33 the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Marynell Meadors.