

House Resolution 1862

By: Representatives Collins of the 95th, Ralston of the 7th, Stephenson of the 92nd, Dawkins-Haigler of the 93rd, and Mangham of the 94th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Willie Brown and inviting him to be recognized by the
2 House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie Brown has long been recognized for his amazing athletic abilities,
4 and his determination, drive, and perseverance have earned him the respect and admiration
5 of others; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Macon, Georgia, Mr. Brown was a state champion in the high jump
7 while attending Georgia School for the Deaf and was the number one rated deaf basketball
8 player in America; and

9 WHEREAS, he was named Most Valuable Player for three consecutive years at the Mike
10 Glenn Basketball Camp for the Hearing Impaired in 1981, 1982, and 1983; and

11 WHEREAS, one of the first deaf athletes to play college basketball, Mr. Brown played for
12 two years at Hofstra University and two years at Georgia State University; and

13 WHEREAS, this talented basketball player was captain of two World Games for the Deaf
14 teams and a Pan-American Games for the Deaf team, leading his undefeated teams to three
15 gold medals; and

16 WHEREAS, since his days on the court as a player, Mr. Brown has dedicated his expertise
17 in basketball as an official for college games, state tournament high school games, and
18 semi-professional games and has inspired young athletes as a coach and volunteer with the
19 Mike Glenn Basketball Camp for the Hearing Impaired and the Atlanta Hawks' youth
20 summer basketball camps; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown has diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and
22 energy for the last 14 years to this nation as a member of the United States Postal Service,
23 where he has served with honor and distinction; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Brown is united in love and marriage to Adesi Brown, and he has been
25 blessed with three remarkable children, Andrew, Waylon, and Chelsia; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
27 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body commend Mr. Willie Brown on his amazing basketball career,
30 recognize his exemplary and selfless service to others, and invite him to be recognized by the
31 House of Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House
32 of Representatives.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Willie Brown.