

## House Resolution 2103

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Coach Mark Richt and inviting him to be recognized by the House of  
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, after nine seasons as head coach of the University of Georgia Bulldogs, Coach  
4 Mark Richt has demonstrated his superior coaching skills and his commitment to athletic  
5 excellence; and

6 WHEREAS, Coach Richt has led the Bulldogs to two SEC championships, three SEC  
7 Eastern Division titles, and two Sugar Bowl victories while graduating 162 Bulldog players;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, he has amassed an amazing record of 90-27, a .769 winning percentage, which  
10 is the sixth best in the country among active coaches, with a record against non-conference  
11 opponents of 39-4 and a bowl record of 7-2; and

12 WHEREAS, Coach Richt is one of only nine coaches in Division I-A history to record 60  
13 or more wins in his first six seasons or 70 or more wins in his first seven seasons; and

14 WHEREAS, he is also one of only six coaches to win two SEC championships in his first  
15 five years and one of only five head coaches in SEC history to record four straight 10-win  
16 seasons; and

17 WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Miami, Coach Richt served as quarterback coach  
18 at Florida State University for 15 years, where he developed offenses that were among the  
19 most prolific in college football history and became one of the most respected coaches in the  
20 country before joining the Bulldog family; and

21 WHEREAS, a native of Boca Raton, Florida, Coach Richt is united in love and marriage to  
22 his supportive wife Katharyn, and they have been blessed with four remarkable children,  
23 Jonathan, David, Zach, and Anya; and

24 WHEREAS, Coach Richt brings out the superior athletic ability of his players and serves as  
25 a role model and mentor to his teams; and

26 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the University of Georgia football  
27 program, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary  
28 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 Mark Richt for his amazing career as a football  
31 coach and invite him to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to  
32 be determined by the Speaker of the House 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 Coach Mark Richt.