

House Resolution 86

By: Representatives Davis of the 122nd, Keen of the 179th, Amerson of the 9th, Ashe of the 56th, Murphy of the 120th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Tech Band on its 100th anniversary and for its appearance in the
2 2008 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1908, 14 students at the Georgia Institute of Technology joined together to
4 form the first Georgia Tech Band; and

5 WHEREAS, during the early years, the Tech Band established and popularized the
6 far-reaching tunes "Ramblin' Wreck," "Up With the White and Gold," and the school's alma
7 mater under the direction of greats including Frank Roman, Major A.J. Garing, and Ben
8 Logan Sisk; and

9 WHEREAS, over the years, the band and music program have expanded to include an
10 orchestra, a jazz band, chamber ensembles, and an electronic percussion ensemble, with the
11 opportunity to perform around the state, nation, and overseas; and

12 WHEREAS, the year 2008 marked the 100th anniversary of the Georgia Tech Band; and

13 WHEREAS, in honor of its centennial, the band performed in the annual Macy's
14 Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City and was one of only two collegiate bands
15 invited to appear in the 2008 parade; and

16 WHEREAS, under the direction of Athletic Band Director Christopher Moore, the 350
17 student members of the Yellow Jackets Marching Band prepared for months to perform on
18 the streets of Manhattan on Thursday, November 27, 2008, before more than 46 million
19 attendees and television viewers; and

20 WHEREAS, throughout its 100 year history, culminating with a dazzling performance in
21 Herald Square in November, the Georgia Tech Band has brought pride, honor, and esteem
22 to Georgia Tech and the great State of Georgia.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body join in commending the Georgia Tech Band on its 100th
25 anniversary and for its outstanding performance in the 2008 Macy's Thanksgiving Day
26 Parade and congratulate its leaders and members on their great accomplishments.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Athletic Band Director
29 Christopher Moore and Music Department Director Frank Clark.