

House Resolution 254

By: Representative May of the 111th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 2008 National Champions in Horse Management; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the United States Pony Club (USPC) was founded in 1954 with the mission to
4 teach children horsemanship, focusing on instructing riding on the flat, jumping, riding in the
5 open, and basic horse care; and

6 WHEREAS, with over 600 clubs in the United States, the USPC provides programs which
7 assist youth in developing responsibility, moral judgement, leadership, and self-confidence;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, USPC meetings consist of unmounted lessons in areas such as feeding, horse
10 shoeing, and veterinary care, as well as mounted lessons with training in areas such as
11 polocrosse, show jumping, and vaulting; and

12 WHEREAS, competitions are held annually for dressage, show jumping, eventing, mounted
13 games, tetrathalon, and horse knowledge, with the 2008 national competitions held in
14 Lexington, Virginia, at the Virginia House Center; and

15 WHEREAS, the USPC South Region Team earned the title of National Champions in the
16 Horse Management competition; and

17 WHEREAS, the South Region Team was comprised of five stellar Georgians, Nicholas
18 Fabiano, Sarah Beth Hood, Cady Solomon, Rebecca Kickbush, and Maya Jiminez-Osell; and

19 WHEREAS, this talented group of horse enthusiasts was led to victory under the guidance
20 and experience of their coach, Mrs. Peg Hawley; and

21 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding
22 athletic ability, the dedication and hard work, and the unity of purpose and spirit of each
23 member of the team and their superb horse management skills.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body commend the United States Pony Club South Region Team on
26 their superlative showing at the 2008 national competition and for earning the title of
27 National Champions.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each member of the South
30 Region Team and Coach Peg Hawley.