By: Representatives Neal of the 1st and Weldon of the 3rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team; and for

2 other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team from
- 4 Catoosa County has secured the 2009 PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon state title; and

5 WHEREAS, the team competed against 19 other teams from across this state to earn their 6 title on February 28, 2009, and will represent Georgia in the national competition in 7 Memphis Tennessee in April: and

- 7 Memphis, Tennessee, in April; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the focus for the 2009 Georgia Academic Decathlon was Latin America and 9 evolutionary biology, and in order to prepare for the competition, participants were required
- 10 to study the art, music, and economics of Mexico as well as Darwin's voyages in Latin
- 11 America and his development of evolutionary theory; and
- 12 WHEREAS, ably led by Coaches Ian and Lisa Beck, team members Mary Beth Richardson,
- 13 Destin Sisemore, Steven Harris, Casey Crook, Caitlin Russell, Joey Bowen, Donal Hollis,
- 14 Cody Dunn, Eola Park, and Daniel Goins emerged victorious thanks to their dedication and
- 15 immense knowledge; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in capturing this prestigious state title, these smart and gifted students have17 brought great honor to their school and community.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body join in congratulating the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School
- 20 Academic Decathlon Team on winning the 2009 PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon State
- 21 Finals.

- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 23 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the team members and
- 24 coaches of the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team.