

House Resolution 161

By: Representative Pak of the 102nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending Kukkiwon, the world headquarters of Taekwondo, and
2 proclaiming October 1, 2011, as Kukkiwon Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Kukkiwon, the world headquarters of Taekwondo, was created in 1972 in order
4 to revitalize and globalize Taekwondo as the leading martial art form; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1973, Kukkiwon laid the groundwork that launched Taekwondo as an
6 international art by holding the world's first Taekwondo championship and establishing the
7 World Taekwondo Federation; and

8 WHEREAS, in 1978, Kukkiwon committed to the unity and the growth of Taekwondo by
9 integrating ten separate Taekwondo Kwans, namely the Chung Do Kwan, Moo Duk Kwan,
10 Jido Kwan, Song Moo Kwan, Chang Moo Kwan, Kang Duk Won Kwan, Jung Do Kwan, Oh
11 Do Kwan, Han Moo Kwan, and Kwan li Kwan; and

12 WHEREAS, Kukkiwon continues to actively promote the martial art by conducting overseas
13 tours for Poomsae training, international seminars, and the World Taekwondo Leaders
14 Forum for academic interchanges; and

15 WHEREAS, Kukkiwon has helped in the process of registering Taekwondo as an official
16 sport in the Olympics and maintaining its status as a true Olympic sport by increasing the
17 number of Taekwondo practitioners; and

18 WHEREAS, Kukkiwon conducts the World Taekwondo Hanmadang every year, a venue for
19 Taekwondo players to come together and learn from each other in further developing the art;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, there are hundreds of Taekwondo academies in Georgia and thousands of
22 Georgians are learning Taekwondo.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 October 1, 2011, is hereby recognized as Kukkiwon Day at the state capitol in honor of its
25 tremendous accomplishments in Georgia and around the world.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Kukkiwon headquarters
28 in Seoul, Korea.