

House Resolution 460

By: Representatives Epps of the 140th, Holmes of the 125th, Dickey of the 136th, Randall of the 138th, Peake of the 137th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the accomplishments of Coach Billy Henderson and dedicating an interchange in
2 his name; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Billy Henderson is an outstanding citizen of Bibb County, Georgia, and
4 was a star athlete in four sports during his matriculation at Macon's Lanier High School for
5 Boys, a prep All-American in both football and baseball during his junior and senior years;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Coach Henderson was known as the "Macon Meteor" after being named as a
8 four-year letterman in both football and baseball at the University of Georgia from 1946 to
9 1949; and

10 WHEREAS, Coach Henderson served as athletic director and head football coach at A.R.
11 Willingham High School for Boys, and he led the football team to a career record of
12 64-42-14; and

13 WHEREAS, in his role as head baseball coach, Coach Henderson led his team to victory in
14 the state championship in 1969; and

15 WHEREAS, Coach Henderson also served as head baseball coach and assistant football
16 coach at Mt. deSales Academy and as athletic director and head football coach at Clarke
17 Central High School in Athens, Georgia, until the time of his retirement; and

18 WHEREAS, Coach Billy Henderson was the face and voice of Willingham High School
19 from its inception to its closure and is to this day a positive influence and an inspiring role
20 model to the boys who attended Willingham High School and to the former female students
21 of Willingham's sister school, McEvoy High School for Girls; and

22 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that Coach Billy Henderson be honored as an
23 outstanding citizen of Bibb County with a permanent reminder of his leadership and example
24 to this community.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
26 GEORGIA that the members of this body honor the outstanding accomplishments of Coach
27 Billy Henderson and dedicate the interchange at I-75 and Sardis Church Road in south Bibb
28 County as the Coach Billy Henderson Interchange.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
30 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Coach Billy Henderson
31 Interchange.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Billy Henderson and
34 the Department of Transportation.