

House Resolution 499

By: Representative Stephens of the 164th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending WrestleMania XXVII, recognizing March 30 through April 4, 2011, as
2 WrestleMania Week in Georgia, and inviting representatives of the Atlanta Sports Council,
3 the Georgia World Congress Center Authority, and WWE to be recognized by the House of
4 Representatives; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, WWE is a recognized leader in global entertainment, with programming that
6 is broadcast in more than 145 countries and 30 languages, reaching more than 500 million
7 homes worldwide; and

8 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Sports Council promotes the value of sports growth in Atlanta and
9 Georgia by acting as an authority on the economic impact, visibility, and quality of life issues
10 associated with sports; and

11 WHEREAS, Georgia has a long-standing reputation of hosting the highest level of sports and
12 entertainment events; and

13 WHEREAS, WrestleMania XXVII will further showcase Atlanta as one of the leading sports
14 and entertainment capitals of the world and will bring substantial economic impact to Atlanta
15 and the State of Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, WWE will bring the biggest sports entertainment event in the world to the City
17 of Atlanta in 2011 for the first time; and

18 WHEREAS, other WrestleMania Week events in Georgia include 2011 WWE Hall of Fame
19 Induction Ceremony, WrestleMania Axxess, WrestleMania Pro-Am Golf Tournament,
20 "Monday Night Raw," and charitable activities such as the WrestleMania Art Auction and
21 WrestleMania Reading Challenge Finals; and

22 WHEREAS, more than 70,000 fans from all 50 states and 30 countries will attend
23 WrestleMania XXVII at the Georgia Dome and generate millions of dollars for Georgia's
24 economy.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body recognize March 30 through April 4, 2011, as WrestleMania Week
27 in Georgia, welcome attendees of WrestleMania XXVII to the City of Atlanta, commend the
28 Atlanta Sports Council and WWE on the economic impact that this event will bring to the
29 State of Georgia, and invite representatives of the Atlanta Sports Council, the Georgia World
30 Congress Center Authority, and WWE to be recognized by the House of Representatives at
31 a date and time to be determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Atlanta Sports Council
34 and WWE.