

## House Resolution 1091

By: Representatives Kaiser of the 59<sup>th</sup>, Gardner of the 57<sup>th</sup>, and Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 2011 Henry W. Grady High School Mock Trial Team; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 2011 Henry W. Grady High School Mock Trial Team earned recognition  
4 and acclaim with their recent victory at the Georgia High School Mock Trial Competition;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, the team is composed of Grady High School students from all grade levels, and,  
7 in preparing for this year's competition, the members of the team, together with their teacher  
8 and attorney coaches, spent countless hours in practice; and

9 WHEREAS, to win the title of state champions, the Grady High School team defeated Clarke  
10 Central High School on March 20, 2011, at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center  
11 in Lawrenceville; and

12 WHEREAS, the team's victory brought home the school's fifth state title, with previous wins  
13 in 2000, 2005, 2009, and 2010, and the team's third consecutive state championship; and

14 WHEREAS, this year's mock trial case involved a civil wrongful termination issue in which  
15 teams were evaluated on their ability to make a logical, cohesive, and persuasive  
16 presentation; and

17 WHEREAS, sponsored by the Young Lawyers Division of the State Bar of Georgia, the  
18 objective of the mock trial program is to further students' understanding of court procedure  
19 and the legal system; to improve proficiency in basic skills such as listening, speaking,  
20 reading, and reasoning; to promote better communication and cooperation between the  
21 educational and legal community; to provide a competitive event in an academic atmosphere;  
22 and to promote cooperation among young people of various abilities and interests; and

23 WHEREAS, the members of this young team have developed and refined their mental  
24 agility, verbal adroitness, and intellectual acumen and brought great pride to their school,  
25 classmates, and families; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding record of scholarly  
27 achievement and peerless performance of the members of the team be recognized  
28 appropriately.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body congratulate the 2011 Henry W. Grady High School Mock Trial  
31 Team on their third consecutive state championship title.

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 the 2011 Henry W. Grady  
34 High School Mock Trial Team.