

## House Resolution 1323

By: Representatives Ehrhart of the 36<sup>th</sup> and Rynders of the 152<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the staff and members of Sherwood Baptist Church on their overwhelming  
2 success on the film *Courageous* and inviting them to be recognized by the House of  
3 Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Sherwood Pictures was created by Sherwood Baptist Church in Albany,  
5 Georgia, to produce faith and family friendly movies that inspire people to live lives of faith,  
6 hope, and love; and

7 WHEREAS, *Courageous* is the fourth film created by Sherwood Pictures and is an inspiring  
8 story of four law enforcement officers who long to be the kinds of dads that honor God and  
9 make a lifelong impact on their children; and

10 WHEREAS, *Courageous* was written by Associate Pastors Alex Kendrick and Stephen  
11 Kendrick and executively produced by Pastor Michael Catt and Jim McBride; and

12 WHEREAS, the movie was filmed on location at Sherwood Baptist Church and in the  
13 Albany area with the help of 1,600 volunteers from the church and community; and

14 WHEREAS, it was released nation wide and grossed more than \$34 million in box office  
15 receipts; and

16 WHEREAS, *Courageous* was ranked the number one top selling DVD in North America on  
17 the last week of January 22, 2012, with the DVD distribution extending to 76 countries; and

18 WHEREAS, thousands of churches, schools, prisons, and other organizations across the  
19 nation have used the film and its associated resources to help and inspire men to step up in  
20 their faith and responsibility to God and their families.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body commend the accomplishment of Sherwood Pictures and the  
23 unwavering commitment of the staff and members of Sherwood Baptist Church in producing  
24 quality family films that promote faith and values, congratulate Sherwood Baptist Church  
25 on the prodigious success of *Courageous*, and invite them to be recognized by the House of  
26 Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of  
27 Representatives.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sherwood Baptist Church.