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House Resolution 1972

By: Representatives Williamson of the 111th, Houston of the 170th, Kirby of the 107th, Abrams of the 84th, Clark of the 98th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Boys and Girls Clubs of Georgia and commending the Boys and Girls Clubs
- 2 of Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year, Chantil Coleman; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, in small towns and metropolitan areas, youths of this nation are struggling to
- 4 create bright futures in the face of crime, substance abuse, low fitness levels, and high
- 5 dropout rates; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs encourages young people through all of its programs
- 7 and particularly through its Youth of the Year program by promoting and recognizing teens
- 8 who have developed sound character, leadership abilities, and a willingness to give back to
- 9 their communities; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Youth of the Year program recognizes teens for outstanding contributions
- to a member's family, school, community, and Boys and Girls Clubs; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the program acknowledges the personal challenges faced by candidates and the
- 13 obstacles individuals have overcome in their lives; and
- 14 WHEREAS, winners of the Youth of the Year program award are selected on the basis of
- scholastic achievement, community service, leadership ability, and the consideration of any
- 16 physical, social, or emotional obstacles that they have overcome; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the winners of this prestigious contest are awarded a \$1,000.00 college
- scholarship, with state winners having the opportunity to be selected as Regional Youth of
- 19 the Year and National Youth of the Year; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the 2012 Georgia Youth of the Year represents young people in Georgia and
- 21 the over 130,000 young people served by one of the 170 Boys and Girls Clubs state wide;
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WHEREAS, Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year will be one of nine to compete for the

- 24 Southeast Regional Youth of the Year award in early summer of 2012, and it is abundantly
- 25 fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of the Georgia 2012 Youth of the
- 26 Year be appropriately recognized.
- 27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 28 the members of this body recognize Boys and Girls Clubs of Georgia and commend the Boys
- 29 and Girls Clubs of Georgia's 2012 Youth of the Year, Chantil Coleman for a demonstrated
- 30 commitment to improving the lives of others and serving as a shining example for all young
- 31 people in this state.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Boys and Girls Clubs
- 34 of Georgia and Chantil Coleman.