

House Resolution 397

By: Representative Tanner of the 9<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Matthew Kent Dudley; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Matthew Kent Dudley has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, the most  
3 distinguished rank conferred by the Boy Scouts of America; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a candidate for the most exceptional award in scouting must complete a  
5 rigorous program of training and demonstrate his proficiency in selected scouting techniques  
6 and attainment of the highest ideals of scouting; and
- 7 WHEREAS, only one scout out of 97 ever reaches this lofty level of achievement, and  
8 Matthew has ably evidenced his aptitude and competency in mastering the various special  
9 skills taught through the Boy Scout program; and
- 10 WHEREAS, this remarkable young man is a member of Sea Scout Ship Hazzard 109 in  
11 Dawsonville, Georgia; and
- 12 WHEREAS, for his Eagle Scout project, Matthew created an event called "Jail and Bail," in  
13 which 20 community leaders, including the mayor, city councilmembers, and a variety of  
14 other community leaders, participated in the collection of about 10,000 pounds of food for  
15 the local food bank; and
- 16 WHEREAS, this hard-working young man has demonstrated great leadership skills and  
17 initiative during his years with the Boy Scouts of America program; and
- 18 WHEREAS, an outstanding Georgian, Matthew has truly exhibited a commitment to the  
19 scouting principles of honesty and fairness and has consistently conducted himself in a  
20 manner becoming an Eagle Scout; and

21 WHEREAS, the perseverance and determination displayed by this exceptional young leader  
22 is an example for all Georgians, and great success is surely in this young man's future.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body commend Matthew Kent Dudley for his diligence and dedication  
25 in pursuing the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts of America and extend to him  
26 congratulations for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Matthew Kent Dudley.