By: Representatives Hitchens of the 161st and Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Christian Leadership Academy of the Effingham YMCA;

2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Effingham YMCA has recently established the Christian Leadership 4 Academy, a program which trains high school sophomores and juniors to carry Christian 5 leadership principles into the future world of family, education, church, government, and 6 business; and

WHEREAS, this program is in its fourth year and takes place over the seven months of
September through March, with the participants meeting for monthly seminars, and
concludes with a closing ceremony in April; and

10 WHEREAS, the program was established under the leadership of Dr. Darren Thomas,

11 minister of education at the First Baptist Church of Springfield, Georgia, and chairman of the

12 Board of the Effingham YMCA; Kim Dennis, Effingham YMCA director; Peggy Smith,

13 Missions and Program Committee programming director; and Emily Greene, office Manager;

14 and

15 WHEREAS, the students participating in the Christian Leadership Academy are Mallory

16 Ambrose, Evan Fears, Robbie Garvin, Benjamin Grayson, Cheyenne Hawk, Allie Kieffer,

17 Douglas Kirkland, John Ratchford, Logan Revell, Brooke Richardson, Annah Shearouse, and

18 Olin Way; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize this outstanding program for the great creditit reflects on the community and the State of Georgia.

- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 22 the members of this body recognize and commend the Christian Leadership Academy of the
- 23 Effingham YMCA and its leaders and participants.

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- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 25 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Christian Leadership
- 26 Academy of the Effingham YMCA and its leaders and participants.