

Senate Resolution 785

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Beach of the 21st, Shafer of the 48th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Thomas Michael "Tom" Glavine and recognizing February 18, 2014, as Tom
2 Glavine Day at the state capitol; for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Thomas Michael "Tom" Glavine, born March 25, 1966, is a retired professional
4 baseball player who played as a pitcher for the Atlanta Braves and New York Mets; and

5 WHEREAS, Glavine was born in Concord, Massachusetts, and raised in Billerica,
6 Massachusetts, where he attended Billerica Memorial High School and was an excellent
7 student, balancing his life as a four-year member of the honor roll and National Honor
8 Society, as well as a letterman in both ice hockey and baseball; and

9 WHEREAS, as a senior, in hockey, he was named the Merrimack Valley's Most Valuable
10 Player, and in baseball, he led his team to the Division I North Title and the Eastern
11 Massachusetts Championship; he was also elected to the Billerica Memorial/Howe High
12 School Athletic Hall of Fame in 1993; and

13 WHEREAS, with 164 victories during the 1990s, Glavine held the second highest amount
14 of wins as a pitcher in the National League; and

15 WHEREAS, on January 8, 2014, it was announced that he was voted into the Baseball Hall
16 of Fame in his first year of eligibility; and

17 WHEREAS, in 1991, he won 20 games and posted a 2.55 earned run average; it was his first
18 of three consecutive seasons with 20 or more wins and saw him earn his first National
19 League Cy Young Award; and

20 WHEREAS, Glavine won his second Cy Young Award in 1998, going 20-6 with a 2.47
21 ERA; and

22 WHEREAS, on November 18, 2007, Glavine rejoined the Braves after leaving to play for
23 the Mets, which seemingly brought his career full circle, with a one-year contract worth
24 \$8 million; on April 18, 2008, he was placed on the disabled list for the first time in his
25 22 year career; and

26 WHEREAS, on May 14, 2008, Glavine won his first game with the Atlanta Braves since
27 September 19, 2002, and it was his 304th win; coincidentally both his win on September 19,
28 2002, and May 14, 2008, were against the Philadelphia Phillies; and

29 WHEREAS, on February 11, 2010, he officially retired from baseball and agreed to take a
30 job as a special assistant to Braves president John Schuerholz starting in the 2010 season; he
31 also agreed to serve as a guest analyst for some Braves games on SportSouth and Fox Sports
32 South; and

33 WHEREAS, on August 6, 2010, the Braves retired Glavine's #47.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
35 commend Thomas Michael "Tom" Glavine and his contribution to baseball and recognize
36 February 18, 2014, as Tom Glavine Day at the state capitol.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of the resolution to Thomas Michael "Tom" Glavine.