

House Resolution 1253

By: Representatives Fludd of the 64th, Douglas of the 78th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, and Taylor of the 79th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Marquis Deon Grissom; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Grissom was born in Atlanta, Georgia and attended Lakeshore High School
3 where he excelled in baseball; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he went on to play for Florida A&M University, and in 1988 was selected by
5 the Montreal Expos where he worked as a position player; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Grissom was ultimately traded to the Atlanta Braves, and in his first season they
7 won the World Series with Grissom securing the final out by catching a fly ball; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he played his final major league years with the San Francisco Giants, who
9 dubbed him a "class act" and a "clubhouse" leader, and in 2003 won the Willie Mac Award
10 for his spirit and leadership; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Grissom retired in March 2006 after a successful 17-year career and currently
12 resides in College Park, Georgia; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was hired to become the Washington Nationals first base coach for the 2009
14 season in October 2008; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Marquis Grissom leads by example both on and off the field; he sponsors six
16 Little League teams and assists in funding a home school that provides food and shelter for
17 children without parents; and
- 18 WHEREAS, this magnificent player has earned his well-deserved reputation for excellence
19 by performing with precision and dedication over years of training and competition, and it
20 is abundantly proper to recognize him for his many accomplishments.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body recognize Marquis Deon Grissom for his successful career in
23 professional baseball and commend him for his devotion to his community.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Marquis Deon Grissom.