

House Resolution 1259

By: Representatives Williams of the 119th, Ralston of the 7th, Quick of the 117th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Holmes of the 129th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary accomplishments as
2 a student-athlete with the University of Georgia football team and for his public service to
3 the citizens of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray enrolled as a student-athlete at the University of Georgia in
5 Spring 2009; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was quarterback of the University of Georgia Bulldogs football team from
7 2010 until he suffered an ACL injury on November 23, 2013; and
- 8 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time as quarterback, he set 27 Georgia records,
9 including 12 career, nine season, and six game records, established four Southeastern
10 Conference records, and became the first player in Southeastern Conference history to have
11 at least 3,000 passing yards in four consecutive seasons; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he was named the 2013 Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year,
13 only one of six Bulldogs to earn Academic All-America honors twice, the 13th Bulldog to
14 be selected as a recipient of the National Scholar-Athlete Award, and a finalist for the
15 Campbell Trophy, which recognizes the nation's top scholar-athlete; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in 2013, Mr. Aaron Murray was awarded the honor by his teammates as being
17 voted the Vince Dooley Most Valuable Player and one of the team's permanent captains; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he received his bachelor's degree in Psychology in May, 2012, and started his
19 doctorate degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology at the University of Georgia; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron Murray's scholarly and athletic achievements should not overshadow
21 his involvement with the community, which was recognized in 2012 by the Allstate AFCA
22 Good Works Team for his community service record; and

23 WHEREAS, during Mr. Aaron Murray's time at the University of Georgia, he was highly
24 involved with groups within the community such as Extra Special People, Camp Sunshine,
25 Special Olympics, American Association of Adapted Sports Programs, Read Across
26 America, Healing Place of Athens, Bulldogs Battling Breast Cancer, and many more local
27 elementary and middle schools and hospitals in the Athens, Atlanta, and Tampa, Florida
28 areas; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the many accomplishments of Mr. Aaron
30 Murray be appropriately recognized and commended.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body recognize and commend Mr. Aaron Murray on his extraordinary
33 accomplishments as a student-athlete with the University of Georgia football team and for
34 his public service to the citizens of Georgia.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Aaron Murray.