House Resolution 59

By: Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Jones of the 47th, Dollar of the 45th, Duncan of the 26th, and Martin of the 49th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the Georgia High School Fencing League; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, the Georgia High School Fencing League (GHSFL) began tournaments in 2004,
- 3 and was chartered in August of 2005, and it is the oldest and largest high school fencing
- 4 organization in the State of Georgia and is the third largest in the United States; and
- 5 WHEREAS, over 1,500 students have competed in the GHSFL, and with the addition of two

6 new teams this year, there are 18 teams in the League under the leadership of Terry White,

7 Chair, and Kathy Vail, Vice Chair; and

8 WHEREAS, the quality of student fencers in the GHSFL is exemplified by those finishing

- 9 as the top three fencers in the male and female categories for the 2013-2014 season having
- 10 a combined GPA of 4.0, with 3.8 being the lowest; and
- 11 WHEREAS, past GHSFL fencers have graduated and gone on to fence at the collegiate level
- 12 for distinguished universities such as Brown University, Columbia University, Massachusetts
- 13 Institute of Technology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Northwestern
- 14 University, New York University, Sacred Heart University, and the United States Air Force
- 15 Academy; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the next major goal of the GHSFL is to become a sanctioned high school sport
- 17 in the State of Georgia; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the schools that participate in the GHSFL are Alpharetta, Cambridge, Campbell,
- 19 Centennial, Chattahoochee, Duluth, Dunwoody, Fellowship, Johns Creek, Lambert, Lassiter,
- 20 Milton, Northview, Pinecrest, Pope, Roswell, South Forsyth, and Walton.
- $21 \quad \text{NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that}$
- 22 the members of this body honor the Georgia High School Fencing League.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 24 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
- 25 Georgia High School Fencing League.