

House Resolution 264

By: Representative Efstration of the 104th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Joe Ford for the contributions he has made to his community and Dacula High
2 School football; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Dacula High School football fans recently honored long-time football
4 announcer Joe Ford at a special ceremony to recognize him for his loyalty and devotion to
5 the program; and

6 WHEREAS, Ford was raised in the Dacula community and always had a love for Falcon
7 football, serving as a manager on the school's first football team; and

8 WHEREAS, he graduated from Dacula High School in 1967 and attended the Atlanta
9 Broadcasting School and Gainesville Junior College before becoming a radio broadcaster for
10 WGCO FM 102 in Buford, Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, he found his calling when he began his distinguished career in the booth at
12 Dacula football games in 1972, working as an assistant to Cleve Langley, and he became the
13 lead announcer in 1974; and

14 WHEREAS, he faithfully and dutifully served as the announcer for Dacula football games
15 for 40 years and missed only a handful of games during his tenure; and

16 WHEREAS, Ford is as intrinsically linked to Dacula football as his signature "You are now
17 in Falcon Country" call; and

18 WHEREAS, when the Dacula Athletics Hall of Fame was founded in 2013, Ford was one
19 of the inaugural inductees; and

20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
21 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend Joe Ford for the contributions he has made to his
24 community and Dacula High School football.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Joe
27 Ford.