

House Resolution 1350

By: Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Barr of the 103rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the 30th anniversary of the Ivey-Watson baseball field in Gainesville, Georgia; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Ivey-Watson baseball field was originally built by the Gainesville Parks and
4 Recreation Department on land donated by the late Lee Waldrip in 1986 on the shore of Lake
5 Lanier and was named for two baseball legends, the late Ted Ivey and Drane Watson; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Ivey was a longtime volunteer coach of Gainesville High School, Little
7 League coach and commissioner, American Legion baseball coach, and sports enthusiast;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Watson coached the GHS state championship team in 1949 and helped
10 revive Little League, a recreation league, and Pony League in the 1940s and 1950s for all
11 areas' youth teams; and

12 WHEREAS, the field, now owned by the Gainesville Board of Education and home to five
13 high school state championship teams, was honored by the Georgia Dugout Club as the best
14 baseball field in Class AAAAA in 2015; and

15 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this body recognizes the 30th anniversary
16 of the Ivey-Watson baseball field.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the members of this body honor the 30th anniversary of the Ivey-Watson baseball field in
19 Gainesville, Georgia.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
21 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
22 public and the press.