

House Resolution 1549

By: Representatives Kidd of the 145th, Houston of the 170th, England of the 116th, Meadows of the 5th, Oliver of the 82nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Chase Jones; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Chase Jones is a native of Carrollton, Georgia, where he currently resides and
3 works in real estate investment and property management; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Jones is a proud graduate of the University of Georgia's School of Public
5 and International Affairs, and he holds additional certification from Georgia State
6 University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he has previously worked for the Georgia Department of Public Safety and
8 Georgia House of Representatives, focusing on government affairs, project management, and
9 budget analysis; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he is a spinal cord injury survivor and advocate for the disability community;
11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, in 2014, he was appointed by the Governor to Georgia's Brain and Spinal Injury
13 Trust Fund Commission and is currently serving as Commission Chairman and member of
14 the Commission's executive, public policy, and various ad hoc committees; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund is currently funded entirely from a 10
16 percent fee added to DUI and reckless drivers and, as directed by the Georgia legislature, is
17 the central registry for newly injured Georgians; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the fund has given over \$22 million in grants to qualified people with traumatic
19 brain injuries or spinal cord injuries; these awards include items such as wheelchair
20 accessible vehicles, wheelchair ramps, house modifications, computers, and caregiver aids,
21 although a nonfunded mandate dilutes award funds by roughly \$150,000 per year; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Jones's significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable
23 patience and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the
24 citizens of this state have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and
25 associates; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
27 remarkable Georgian be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in recognizing and commending Chase Jones and extend their
30 most sincere best wishes for continued success.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Chase
33 Jones.