

## House Resolution 415

By: Representatives Drenner of the 85<sup>th</sup> and Henson of the 86<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Michael J. Tucker; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker is a zoology and physiology graduate of Bedford College,  
3 University of London, earned his doctorate in reproductive physiology from the University  
4 of Birmingham in the United Kingdom, and is a Fellow of the Institute of Biology in  
5 England; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker is a founding member of Georgia Reproductive Specialists based  
7 in Atlanta; and he also functions at an executive level for a nationally recognized cryo-bank,  
8 Xytex Cryo International; and

9 WHEREAS, recognized in his field as one of the world's top ten scientists in early human  
10 reproduction, Dr. Tucker is widely known and respected for his breakthrough achievements  
11 in assisted reproductive technology; and

12 WHEREAS, a full-time clinical embryologist since 1983, he pioneered the first  
13 intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) birth in the United States, the nation's first birth  
14 resulting from a testicular biopsy, the world's first birth from frozen donor eggs, and the first  
15 pregnancy in the world from immature eggs that were matured after thawing in the IVF lab;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, since 1983, Dr. Tucker has been scientific director and chief embryologist at  
18 major fertility centers in London, Hong Kong, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Rockville, Chicago,  
19 Boston, and Jackson and served as a scientific consultant in more than 50 clinics worldwide;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, his research interests include oocyte and embryo cryopreservation, in vitro  
22 culture environment, embryo growth and selection, and gamete/embryo micromanipulation;  
23 and

24 WHEREAS, he is co-author of more than 130 peer reviewed papers, has written over 75  
25 chapters and course syllabi, and has been co-author/editor of two textbooks on ART and  
26 vitrification; and

27 WHEREAS, a frequent speaker internationally and locally, he also serves on the advisory  
28 board of Creating a Family, an online resource for adoption and infertility; and

29 WHEREAS, Dr. Tucker has been dedicated to providing continuing innovation in the field  
30 of medicine and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of  
31 this extraordinary Georgian be appropriately recognized.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
33 the members of this body commend Dr. Michael J. Tucker for his many valuable  
34 contributions on behalf of the citizens of Georgia and extend best wishes for his continued  
35 success.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
38 Dr. Michael J. Tucker.