

House Resolution 1752

By: Representative Williamson of the 115th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Coach Eli Connell, the 2018 GHSA Class 3A State Athletic Director of the
2 Year; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young
4 people, and Coach Eli Connell exemplifies the selfless dedication that is characteristic of our
5 finest teachers, athletic directors, and coaches; and

6 WHEREAS, Coach Connell has served as the highly praised athletic director of Monroe Area
7 High School for six years, tirelessly directing an extraordinary amount of time and talent
8 toward guiding student athletes to a brighter future; and

9 WHEREAS, he currently oversees approximately 460 athletes, 48 coaches, and 18 distinct
10 boys and girls athletic programs and has led the Hurricanes to victory at 15 team regional
11 championships, more than 30 individual regional championships, and nine individual state
12 championships over the course of his tenure at Monroe Area High School; and

13 WHEREAS, he was voted the 2018 GHSA Region 8-AAA Athletic Director of the Year by
14 the region's athletic directors and was recognized at the annual Georgia Athletic Directors
15 Association Conference in Savannah, Georgia, where he was named the 2018 Class 3A State
16 Athletic Director of the Year; and

17 WHEREAS, Coach Connell is a member of the executive board of Region 8-AAA, as well
18 as a member of the Leadership Walton Class of 2018, and he was also named the Region
19 8-AAA Athletic Director of the Year in 2015; and

20 WHEREAS, Coach Connell has earned distinction for teaching excellence as a result of his
21 dedication to student athletes and his profession; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognition of such remarkable contributions to the athletic success of
23 Georgia's students, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary
24 accomplishments and academic achievements of this outstanding athletic director.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body commend Coach Eli Connell, the 2018 GHSA Class 3A State
27 Athletic Director of the Year, and express their most sincere best wishes for continued
28 success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
31 Coach Eli Connell.