

House Resolution 452

By: Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Dubnik of the 29th, Pirkle of the 155th, Lumsden of the 12th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Coach Geoff Collins upon his selection as head coach of the
2 Georgia Tech football team; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Geoff Collins hails from Conyers, Georgia, and played linebacker at
4 Western Carolina University; and

5 WHEREAS, he earned his undergraduate degree in sports management and exercise science
6 from Western Carolina University in 1994; and

7 WHEREAS, Coach Collins began his coaching career at Fordham University and has since
8 coached at Albright College, Western Carolina University, the University of Alabama, the
9 University of Central Florida, Florida International University, Mississippi State University,
10 the University of Florida, and Temple University; and

11 WHEREAS, he coached the tight ends at Georgia Tech in 2001 and returned to Georgia Tech
12 in 2006 as the Director of Player Personnel; and

13 WHEREAS, as defensive coordinator, Coach Collins led Mississippi State's defense to SEC
14 Top 5 in 2013; and

15 WHEREAS, during Coach Collins' tenure as defensive coordinator at the University of
16 Florida in 2016, Florida's defense was ranked sixth in scoring defense; and

17 WHEREAS, as head coach of Temple from 2017-2018, Coach Collins led a 7-6 Temple to
18 a 2017 Gasparilla Bowl win, their first since 2011 and third overall; and

19 WHEREAS, he led Temple to an 8-4 record in 2018; and

20 WHEREAS, he has been welcomed back to his home state and to Georgia Tech with great
21 enthusiasm and support; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that Coach Geoff Collins be recognized and
23 commended by this body.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize and commend Coach Geoff Collins upon his selection
26 as head coach of the Georgia Tech football team.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
29 Coach Geoff Collins.