

House Resolution 1244

By: Representatives Collins of the 68th and Smith of the 18th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Richard Acquotta; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Richard Acquotta was born in Tucker, Georgia, and was raised by a single
3 mother, Karen Norris, along with his two sisters; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he has had a long and consistent record of service to his community and to this
5 state and has been recognized as one of the most influential and civically committed citizens
6 in Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Richard and his wife, Natasha, opened Shuckers Oyster House in Carrollton
8 in 2016; and
- 9 WHEREAS, dedicated to serving his community, Richard used the success from Shuckers
10 to give back to those in need in his community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he and Natasha have made a huge impact on the children, students, and athletes
12 of Carroll County, specifically at Temple, Villa Rica, Mt. Zion High School, and Central
13 High School, through fundraising campaigns, donations, and sponsorships, including

14 membership in the Villa Rica High School Touchdown Club; in addition, Richard has served
15 as president of the VRHS Track Club; and

16 WHEREAS, through Shuckers Oyster House, he gives awards to top-performing athletes and
17 has provided funding for soccer and track uniforms, football equipment, basketball and
18 softball complex improvements, and running shoes and cleats for those who couldn't afford
19 them, as well as feeding students who just needed a hot meal; and

20 WHEREAS, Richard and Natasha have also donated to local charities within Carroll County
21 including Alice's House, the Strong House Foundation, and Kids Peace; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
23 extraordinary Georgian be appropriately recognized.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize Richard Acquotta for his leadership and civic
26 engagement, commend him for his many contributions to the citizens of his community and
27 to this state, and extend best wishes for future success and happiness.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
30 Richard Acquotta.