

House Resolution 28EX

By: Representatives Douglas of the 78th, Hopson of the 153rd, Holly of the 111th, Lewis-Ward of the 109th, Smyre of the 135th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Adonis Ross "AD" Butler; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Adonis Ross "AD" Butler; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Butler was born on October 3, 2000, a beloved son of Diana Ross and
5 Adrian Butler; and

6 WHEREAS, an athletic standout from an early age, Mr. Butler discovered his love of
7 football at the age of eight, earning the nickname "Human Hit Stick" for his strong defensive
8 skills as a linebacker; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Butler had a 400-watt smile that warmed the hearts of those he encountered
10 and he was voted Homecoming King by his peers at Dutchtown High School in 2018; and

11 WHEREAS, from his many football scholarship offers, Mr. Butler selected Virginia State
12 University and later transferred to Albany State University where his sacrifice and discipline
13 allowed him to accomplish more than many do in a lifetime; and

14 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
15 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
16 made this world a better place in which to live; and

17 WHEREAS, a gentle and kind man, Mr. Butler will long be remembered for his love of
18 family and football, and this loyal son, brother, grandson, nephew, and friend will be missed
19 by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Adonis Ross "AD"
22 Butler and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
25 family of Mr. Adonis Ross "AD" Butler.