

## House Resolution 663

By: Representatives Howard of the 129<sup>th</sup>, Myles of the 126<sup>th</sup>, Heffner of the 130<sup>th</sup>, and Prince of the 132<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 26, 2025, as Mr. Johnny C. Nimes Day; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnny C. Nimes, affectionately known as "The Retirement Coach," was  
3 a native of Augusta, Georgia, who received his education at Immaculate Conception Catholic  
4 School, A. R. Johnson Junior High School, Lucy Craft Laney High School, Paine College,  
5 and Bowling Green State University; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Nimes was a star varsity basketball athlete at Lucy Craft Laney High  
7 School and became the first male drum major for the Lucy Craft Laney High School "Pride  
8 of Augusta" Marching Band; and

9 WHEREAS, he graduated with honors in the top ten percent of his 1971 graduating class,  
10 ranking sixth out of 338 students, and was a life member, 2019 Hall of Fame inductee, first  
11 president, and founding member of the Lucy Craft Laney High School Alumni Association  
12 Inc.; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Nimes received the first awarded basketball scholarship to attend Paine  
14 College, where he served as team captain and was elected vice president of the Paine College

15 Student Government Association, earning a Bachelor of Arts in English and graduating cum  
16 laude in 1975; and

17 WHEREAS, he furthered his education at Bowling Green State University, earning a Master  
18 of Arts in college student personnel in 1983 while maintaining a 3.55 grade point average;  
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20 WHEREAS, Mr. Nimes began his career in education in 1975 as an English, math, and  
21 general science teacher and assistant football coach, as well as head basketball and baseball  
22 coach at A. R. Johnson Junior High School; and

23 WHEREAS, in 1979, he joined Paine College as an admissions counselor before being  
24 appointed director of financial aid in 1983; and

25 WHEREAS, he later served as a compliance officer at Emory University in 1986 and as  
26 director of financial aid at DeVry University in Decatur and Morehouse College in Atlanta  
27 in 1988 and 1989; and

28 WHEREAS, in January 1997, Mr. Nimes was appointed associate dean of student affairs at  
29 Morehouse College, and in October 2004, he transitioned into a full-time education  
30 consultant; and

31 WHEREAS, Mr. Nimes' other personal and professional accomplishments include working  
32 as an employment specialist at the Georgia Department of Labor, associate director of  
33 financial aid and executive director of enrollment management at Fort Valley State  
34 University, and director of financial aid at the Interdenominational Theological Center in  
35 Atlanta, Georgia, until his retirement.

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
37 the members of this body recognize April 26, 2025, as Mr. Johnny C. Nimes Day in honor  
38 of his outstanding achievements, dedication to education, and tireless commitment to the  
39 betterment of his community and profession.

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
42 family of Mr. Johnny C. Nimes.