

House Resolution 1417

By: Representatives Wade of the 9th, Evans of the 57th, Smith of the 18th, Gaines of the 120th, Gunter of the 8th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 26, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day and urging the Major League Baseball
2 Hall of Fame Committee to induct Dale Murphy into the National Baseball Hall of Fame;
3 and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Dale Murphy spent 14 of his 18 years in major league baseball with the Atlanta
5 Braves, and he is one of only 11 players in baseball history to have played in 740 consecutive
6 games; and

7 WHEREAS, during his illustrious career, he twice received the National League Most
8 Valuable Player Award, was a four-time recipient of the Silver Slugger Award and a
9 five-time Gold Glove Award winner, and was selected to the National League All-Star Team
10 seven times; and

11 WHEREAS, his career statistics include a .265 batting average with 2,111 hits, 398 home
12 runs, and 1,266 runs batted in; and

13 WHEREAS, perhaps the most idealized and beloved baseball player of the 1980s, Dale
14 Murphy also earned recognition and distinction off the field for his consistent support of

15 numerous charities in the community and for the example he set as a faithful and loving
16 husband and father; and

17 WHEREAS, a hero to millions of children around the nation, he strove to live up to the
18 image his fans expected of him; he was always the last player to leave the field, making
19 certain that he gave an autograph to every kid waiting to meet him; and

20 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has earned his well-deserved reputation for athletic
21 achievement by performing with initiative and precision during his time on the baseball field;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, his dedication to the sport of baseball, along with his exceptional work ethic and
24 competitive spirit, have earned him the respect and admiration of his peers and have given
25 inspiration to many; and

26 WHEREAS, in honor of his distinguished 18-year career and many wonderful
27 accomplishments, the State of Georgia celebrates February 26, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize February 26, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day and urge his
30 induction into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
33 public and the press.