

House Resolution 1459

By: Representatives Wade of the 9<sup>th</sup> and Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 26, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day; and for other purposes.

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

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

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

11 WHEREAS, perhaps the most idealized and beloved baseball player of the 1980s, Dale  
12 Murphy also earned recognition and distinction off the field for his consistent support of  
13 numerous charities in the community and for the example he set as a faithful and loving  
14 husband and father; and

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

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

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

24 WHEREAS, in honor of his distinguished 18-year career and many wonderful  
25 accomplishments, the State of Georgia celebrates February 25, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body recognize February 26, 2026, as Dale Murphy Day.

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