**House Resolution 1030**

Georgia House Resolution 1030 honoring the East Cobb Bullets travel ball organization

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Recognizing Coach **Greg Schnute** and the EC Bullets Fast Pitch Softball organization; and for other purposes

WHEREAS, Coach Greg Schnute grew up in Indiana with a love for baseball and received an athletic scholarship to play baseball at Florida State University. He started coaching softball in Birmingham, Alabama and moved to the Atlanta area in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Coach Schnute founded EC Bullets Fast Pitch Softball organization in 1996, putting the Peach State on the map as a top state for college recruits in one of the fastest growing sports in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Coach Schnute is recognized as one of the most influential coaches in Club fast pitch softball for having built one of the strongest programs in the nation, with teams ranging from 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U, and 18U age groups and spanning eleven states to include Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia that compete in tournaments nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Coach Schnute is a remarkable man and a dedicated father of three daughters and one son, **Kim**, **Kelly**, **Brandi,** and **Brock**, all of whom participated in Division I collegiate athletics; he is also a grandfather to nine grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, EC Bullets Fast Pitch Softball organization has established and maintained a proud tradition of excellence and success by developing competitive softball players with equal emphasis on character and performance; and

WHEREAS, the organization has sent over 500 Bullets softball players to play at the collegiate level on athletic scholarships, with some competing on NCAA championship teams; and

WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of this organization is a clear indication of the outstanding athletic ability, dedication, hard work, unity of purpose and spirit of each member of the organization, its superb offensive and defensive talents, and the astute direction of Coach Schnute; and

WHEREAS, as this magnificent organization has earned its well-deserved reputation for excellence, it is abundantly fitting for them to be recognized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body recognize Coach Greg Schnute and the EC Bullets Fast Pitch Softball organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Coach Greg Schnute and the EC Bullets Fast Pitch Softball organization.