

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1405

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate head coach Woody Hunt and the Cumberland University baseball team for a successful season.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is proud to salute the accomplishments of our great athletic teams who work hard, make the necessary sacrifices, achieve success, and provide entertainment for large numbers of fans; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Cumberland University (CU) Bulldog baseball team (58-9), which recently captured the NAIA national championship title, is clearly one such team; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, the Cumberland Bulldogs bested the team from Lee University by the score of four to three, a joyous win which garnered the team the national championship title; and

WHEREAS, the Bulldogs played their way in spectacular fashion through the season, capturing the school's second NAIA national title, eleventh World Series appearance, and twenty-second conference championship; and

WHEREAS, Matt Greener became the first Cumberland University player to be recognized as the NAIA Baseball Player of the Year, an honor he earned by leading the nation in hits, runs batted in, and total bases. Mr. Greener and fellow teammate Kris Miller also tied for the national lead in home runs; and

WHEREAS, the season was especially rewarding for head coach Woody Hunt, who has found incredible success in his twenty-nine years at the helm of the team. He was aided in his efforts by assistant coaches Kevin Hite and Ryan Hunt, volunteer assistants Chuck MacFarlane and James Parker, graduate assistant Chris Schrock, and student assistant Robert Clayton; and

WHEREAS, the members of the national championship Cumberland team are: Jason Frost, Dave Weyer, T.J. Murphy, Kris Miller, Aaron Wilkerson, Greg Appleton, Adam Sprague,

Eric Vetetoe, Brian Karahalios, Daniel Kern, Jesse Bowman, Shawn Schaefer, Max Kautz, Keith Kirby, Troy Frazier, Luke Whittaker, Matt Greener, Matt Vance, Derrick Harwood, David Fanshawe, Robert Post, Matt McFarland, Peter Taraskevich, Sam Kikla, Briggs Dixon, and Adrian Mull; and

WHEREAS, the CU baseball players epitomize all that is good in the ideal student-athlete; they have represented their school, community, and the State of Tennessee in fine fashion, displaying peerless character both on and off the baseball field; and

WHEREAS, throughout this incredible season, the members of the 2010 CU baseball team have etched their names onto the hearts of Tennesseans and into the annals of national sports history; their dedication, determination, work ethic, and talents not only made possible a successful and memorable baseball season, but also surely point toward their success in future endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate head coach Woody Hunt and the members of the 2010 Cumberland University baseball team upon the completion of a successful season and the capture of the NAIA national championship title, applaud them for their heralded success on the baseball diamond this season, and wish them every success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.