

## House Resolution 530

By: Representatives Thomas of the 39<sup>th</sup>, Boddie of the 62<sup>nd</sup>, Jones of the 53<sup>rd</sup>, Douglas of the 78<sup>th</sup>, McClain of the 100<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Marcell Dareus and recognizing March 13, 2017, as Marcell Dareus Day at the  
2 state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, after receiving recognition for his athletic talents at the University of Alabama  
4 and playing defensive end in the Crimson Tide's 3-4 defense, Marcell Dareus was drafted 3rd  
5 overall by the Buffalo Bills in the 2011 NFL Draft; and

6 WHEREAS, he earned distinction and recognition for his athletic ability and was named  
7 Defensive MVP of the 2010 BCS National Championship Game; and

8 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentleman has earned his well-deserved reputation for athletic  
9 achievement by performing with extraordinary resilience and precision over months of  
10 training and competition; and

11 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and energy  
12 toward the betterment of his community by teaming up with the Housing Authority of the  
13 Birmingham District to give out Thanksgiving meals to more than 100 seniors; and

14 WHEREAS, he has hosted eight veterans to watch NFL games from his suite and has  
15 donated \$25,000 to Hope for Haiti, an organization that has been working to rebuild Haiti  
16 after it fell victim to natural disasters; and

17 WHEREAS, his dedication, hard work, and competitive fire have earned him the respect and  
18 admiration of his teammates and peers and have given inspiration to many, and it is  
19 abundantly fitting and proper that this outstanding athlete be appropriately recognized.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
21 the members of this body commend Marcell Dareus for his outstanding athletic career and

22 his dedicated public service and recognize March 13, 2017, as Marcell Dareus Day at the  
23 state capitol.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
26 Marcell Dareus.