

## House Resolution 855

By: Representatives Blackmon of the 146<sup>th</sup>, Ballard of the 147<sup>th</sup>, Dickey of the 145<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 148<sup>th</sup>, and Stinson of the 150<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the Houston County Bears baseball team for winning the 2023 GHSA Class  
2 6A State Baseball Championship; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Houston County Bears baseball team has established and maintained a  
4 proud tradition of excellence with equal emphases on character and academics; and

5 WHEREAS, this superlative team has completed another triumphant season of baseball  
6 competition by posting an outstanding record of 36 wins with only six losses; and

7 WHEREAS, excellent play, superior teamwork, and extraordinary resilience made this team  
8 a spectacular one to observe throughout the season, and as a fitting finale to its remarkable  
9 2023 campaign, the team captured its second state baseball championship in the last three  
10 years; and

11 WHEREAS, the team achieved this fabulous feat after sweeping Pope High School in the  
12 GHSA 6A state championship best of three series with scores of 8-3 and 7-4; and

13 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding  
14 athletic ability, dedication, hard work, and unity of purpose and spirit of each member of the

15 team; its superb offensive and defensive talents; and the astute direction of Head Coach Matt  
16 Hopkins; and

17 WHEREAS, this all-star team piled up another school-best 348 runs scored to 136 allowed  
18 and were ranked nationally for their 36-6 title winning finish as one of the top teams in the  
19 country; and

20 WHEREAS, as this magnificent team earned its well-deserved reputation for excellence by  
21 performing with courage and precision over months of training and competition, it is  
22 abundantly proper to call them champions.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body congratulate the Houston County Bears baseball team for winning  
25 the 2023 GHSA Class 6A State Baseball Championship and extend best wishes for their  
26 continued success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
29 Houston County Bears baseball team.