

House Resolution 524

By: Representatives Hitchens of the 161st and Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Effingham YMCA Christian Leadership Academy of the
2 Effingham YMCA; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Effingham YMCA has recently established the Christian Leadership
4 Academy, a program which trains high school sophomores and juniors to carry Christian
5 leadership principles into the future world of family, education, church, government, and
6 business; and

7 WHEREAS, the program is in its tenth year and takes place over the seven months of
8 September through March, with the participants meeting for monthly seminars, and
9 concludes with a closing ceremony in April; and

10 WHEREAS, the program was established under the leadership of Dr. Darren Thomas, the
11 former Chairman of the Effingham Board of Managers. The current program leaders are:
12 Matt Phillips, Effingham YMCA Executive Director; Jason Pridgen, Effingham YMCA
13 Board of Managers and CLA Program Leader; and Shannon Horst, Effingham YMCA
14 Membership Director; and

15 WHEREAS, the students participating in the Christian Leadership Academy are: Amberly
16 Burgess, Abby Jarman, Julia Carter, Hayden Cowart, Marina Herten, Elijah Clark, Cameron
17 Garvin, Rafael Osella, and Keosha Rivers; and

18 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize this outstanding program for the great credit
19 it reflects on the community and the State of Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body recognize and commend the Christian Leadership Academy of the
22 Effingham YMCA and its leaders and participants.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
24 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to each
25 of the above named individuals.