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House Resolution

A resolution congratulating Ray Hughes, retired head baseball coach of Aucilla Christian Academy, on winning the 2014 Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award.

WHEREAS, Ray Hughes, retired head baseball coach at Aucilla Christian Academy in Monticello, is the 2014 recipient of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award, and

WHEREAS, Ray Hughes was one of three finalists for the distinguished award and the first high school coach in the nation to win the honor, and

WHEREAS, the Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award is a national honor presented each year by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes that includes all divisions of college and high school baseball coaching, and

WHEREAS, the award is named for longtime University of Arizona head coach Jerry Kindall who won a College World Series championship at the University of Minnesota, played in the major leagues for the Minnesota Twins, Cleveland Indians, and Chicago Cubs, and became one of the all-time great college baseball coaches, leading the University of Arizona to three College World Series championships, and

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WHEREAS, the Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award is presented annually to a baseball coach who best exemplifies the Christian principles of integrity, teamwork, character, excellence, and service both on and off the field, and

WHEREAS, during Ray Hughes' 38-year Aucilla Christian

Academy coaching career, he had more than 500 career wins and 13

district championships as head baseball coach and was known as

an extraordinary coach who not only helped athletes become

better players but also helped them become better people, NOW,

THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That Ray Hughes is congratulated on winning the 2014 Fellowship of Christian Athletes' Jerry Kindall Character in Coaching Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ray Hughes, retired head baseball coach of Aucilla Christian Academy, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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