

House Resolution 555

By: Representative Hill of the 3<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ken Hicks; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ken Hicks began his radio career in 1979 at WMOC in Chattanooga and then
- 3 moved to the legendary WFLI; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ken began singing Southern Gospel music at age 16 and continues singing to
- 5 this day; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he recorded ten Southern Gospel music albums; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was inducted into the Tri State Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 2010; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ken began working at US101 (WUSY) in 1984 by hosting the Southern Gospel
- 9 Music Program "The Gospel Road" and still continues the program; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was nominated 15 times by the Singing News as Gospel D.J. of the Year,
- 11 winning the award in 1995; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Singing News has also awarded Ken "The Golden Mic Award"; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he began the US101 Morning Show in 1995; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he received nine nominations from the C.M.A. (Country Music Association)
- 15 and seven nominations from the A.C.M. (Academy of Country Music) for Radio Personality
- 16 of the Year, winning the C.M.A. Award for Radio Personality of the Year in 2019 with his
- 17 morning show co-host Daniel Wyatt; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he received two C.R.B. (Country Radio Broadcasters) Awards for Radio
- 19 Personality of the Year in 2010 and 2019; and

20 WHEREAS, he was nominated in 2019 for induction into the Country Radio Hall of Fame;  
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Ken's on air personality has contributed in making US101 the number one rated  
23 radio station in the market for 91 consecutive ratings periods, the most achieved by any  
24 country radio station in America; and

25 WHEREAS, as part of US101, Ken has helped raise more than \$17 million for St. Jude  
26 Children's Research Hospital and has helped provide Christmas presents to thousands of  
27 disadvantaged children through US101's Christmas for Kids Forgotten Child Fund; and

28 WHEREAS, Ken is married to Linda, his very supportive and understanding wife of 37  
29 years; and

30 WHEREAS, Ken has four children, Aaron, Grant, Justin, and Zane; three daughters-in-law,  
31 Brandis, Sara, and Alissa; one granddaughter, Oakley; and one grandson, Odin.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Ken Hicks for his many contributions to  
34 Georgia's culture and arts.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
36 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ken  
37 Hicks.