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House Resolution 982

By: Representatives Bruce of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Gilliard of the 162<sup>nd</sup>, Beverly of the 143<sup>rd</sup>, Bazemore of the 69<sup>th</sup>, Frazier of the 126<sup>th</sup>, and others

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Recognizing and commending several living legends of music and theater in celebration of
- 2 Black History Month and their contributions to Georgia, the country, and the world; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, February is Black History Month and is celebrated by recognizing the
- 5 contributions and accomplishments of African Americans who have impacted the entire state,
- 6 the country, and the world; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Otis Williams is best known for his work as a member of the world renowned
- 8 singing group The Temptations. Songs like "My Girl," "Just My Imagination," "I Wish it
- 9 Would Rain," and many more have been heard and danced to in homes around the world; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Jean Carne, born in Columbus, Georgia, is a jazz artist whose soulful music is
- 11 known around the world. While part of the Motown record label, she released her album
- 12 True Me and her hit single "If You Don't Know Me By Now," which reached the top of the
- 13 charts; and

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14 WHEREAS, Lawrence Hilton Jacobs is known for his many acting roles, including the role

- of Joe Jackson in the movie about the life of the Jackson Five and the hit TV series Welcome
- 16 Back Kotter; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Glynn Turman is best known for his roles in the movie *Cooley High* and as a
- 18 retired Army colonel math professor, Bradford Taylor, in the TV series A Different World,
- 19 and visual shots for the fictitious Hillman College were actually filmed at Spelman College
- 20 and Clark Atlanta University.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 22 the members of this body recognize and commend Otis Williams, Jean Carne, Lawrence
- Hilton Jacobs, and Glynn Turman for their many outstanding artistic accomplishments and
- 24 contributions to Georgia, the United States, and the world.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Otis
- Williams, Jean Carne, Lawrence Hilton Jacobs, and Glynn Turman.