

House Resolution 1087

By: Representatives Thomas of the 39th, Jackson of the 64th, Smyre of the 135th, Mitchell of the 88th, and Cannon of the 58th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Antwan "Big Boi" André Patton; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, this remarkable individual has established a glowing reputation of renown
3 throughout Georgia for his dedication and high ideals; and
- 4 WHEREAS, outside his partnership with André 3000 as OutKast, and apart from his central
5 role in the Dungeon Family collective, rapper and producer Big Boi has built a lengthy
6 parallel discography of his own; and
- 7 WHEREAS, known for his cool demeanor and witty, high-velocity wordplay, Big Boi
8 effectively debuted as a solo artist with the first half of OutKast's Grammy-winning 2003
9 blockbuster *Speakerboxxx/The Love Below*; and
- 10 WHEREAS, after OutKast broke through in 1993 with the Top 40 hit "Player's Ball," Big
11 Boi made select solo featured appearances for the next ten years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Big Boi prepared his first proper solo album, and over 2008 and 2009 offered
13 some stray singles; "Royal Flush," on which he linked with André 3000 and Raekwon, was
14 nominated for a Grammy in the category of Best Rap Performance by a Duo or Group; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2010, he was on Janelle Monáe's "Tightrope" and issued another solo single,
16 "Shutterbugg," before his album titled *Sir Lucious Left Foot: The Son of Chico Dusty* arrived
17 that July; "Shutterbugg" bagged another Grammy nomination in the rap field, and
18 "Tightrope" was up for Best Urban/Alternative Performance; and

19 WHEREAS, Big Boi then worked with duo Phantogram as Big Grams, whose self-titled EP
20 peaked in the Top Ten of the rap and alternative charts in 2015. He released his third official
21 solo LP, *BOOMIVERSE*, in June 2017; and

22 WHEREAS, coinciding with his appearance alongside Maroon 5 at the 2019 Super Bowl
23 half-time show in Atlanta, Big Boi issued the single "Doin' It," featuring Sleepy Brown;
24 additional collaborations with Brown followed; and

25 WHEREAS, Big Boi has inspired many with his passion and drive for music nationally and
26 within the Atlanta area; and

27 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
28 extraordinary individual be appropriately recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend Antwan "Big Boi" André Patton for his impact on the
31 hip-hop world and wish him continued success.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
34 Antwan "Big Boi" André Patton.