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House Resolution 1139

By: Representative Jackson of the 128th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Morris Roberts; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Morris Roberts has always been singing; and
- 3 WHEREAS, music and entertainment have been a constant in his life of the man who is also
- 4 know as "Marvelous Moe Morris"; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he first began singing in the choir at Tennille Grove Baptist Church in his
- 6 hometown of Sandersville, Georgia, and continued throughout high school where he
- 7 participated in the Glee Club; was the marching band's drum major and student director; and
- 8 played alto sax and was lead singer of the local group, The Soul Sensations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, when he served in the United State Marine Corps stationed in Okinawa, Japan,
- 10 he found a way to stay involved with music working as a guest DJ at radio station KSBK,
- 11 Naha, Japan, and sitting in to sing with various Japanese bands; and
- 12 WHEREAS, after leaving Japan, he attended the National School of Radio and TV
- 13 Broadcasting and Georgia State University to study commercial music and recording, and
- 14 his educational pursuits led to multiple careers in the professional music business; and

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15 WHEREAS, after retiring from the military in 2014, he decided to finally establish his

- singing career and penned and recorded his first song, Tell Me Why You Wanna Keep
- 17 Coming Around Me, a soulful, old school-flavored tune; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he continues to write, record, and perform his amazing music; and
- 19 WHEREAS, beyond his love of music, he has always had a love and involvement in the
- 20 beloved community that began in Tennille, Georgia, when he assisted with fundraising for
- 21 the Washington Urban Renewal Recreation Center, which became instrumental in providing
- 22 resources and fun for children in the community; and
- 23 WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia Army National Guard, he helped process over
- 24 10,000 troops during 1996 Summer Olympics and has served on the board of directors of the
- 25 Atlanta Jaycees and helped with educational outreach in the 2020 election; and
- 26 WHEREAS, he continues to lift the community by assisting in political campaigns, education
- and alumni affairs, and feeding the hungry; and
- 28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 29 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 31 the members of this body recognize and commend Morris Roberts and thank him for his
- 32 efforts of behalf of his community and state.

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
- 35 Morris Roberts.