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Senate Resolution 514

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Jackson of the 24th and Tate of the 38th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Wet Willie on its induction into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Wet Willie formed in Mobile, Alabama, in 1969 when brothers Jack and Jimmy
- 4 Hall teamed with drummer Lewis Ross, keyboardist John Anthony, and guitarist Ricky
- 5 Hirsch, to form a group originally called Fox; they relocated to Macon, Georgia, in 1970 and
- 6 joined forces with songwriter Frank Friedman before signing a contract with Capricorn
- 7 Records, and Fox was soon reborn as Wet Willie; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Wet Willie's major breakthrough came with "Keep on Smilin'," which reached
- 9 the Top 10 on the Billboard singles chart, and upon relocating to Atlanta, Georgia, the band
- 10 carried the singles "Street Corner Serenade" and "Weekend" to the Top 40 under Epic
- 11 Records; after a hiatus in the 1980s, Wet Willie regrouped and continues to perform their
- 12 outstanding music on occasion; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Wet Willie has been inducted into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame, and it is
- both fitting and proper that the members of this body recognize this group's contribution to
- music and the musical history of our great State of Georgia.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 17 commend Wet Willie on its induction into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 19 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Wet Willie.