

Senate Resolution 811

By: Senator James of the 35th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Montell Jordan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Montell Jordan a powerful presence in music, brimming with talent, and is a
- 3 Grammy Award winning artist; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was born in South Central Los Angeles to Elijah and Deloris Jordan; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he attended his local Baptist church frequently as a child and played piano for
- 6 his church; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he attended Junipero Serra High School in Gardena, California, as well as
- 8 Pepperdine University in Malibu, California, where he earned a bachelor's degree in
- 9 communications; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he is renowned for his chart-topping anthem *This is How We Do It* and has
- 11 released seven studio albums and 14 singles over his nearly 20 year career in music, selling
- 12 more than 10 million records worldwide; and

13 WHEREAS, his journey transcends the realm of music, and in 2008, he heeded a divine  
14 calling and made Atlanta, Georgia, his home, driven by a passionate commitment to serve  
15 and heal the community; and

16 WHEREAS, he became executive pastor at Victory Church in Norcross, Georgia, and poured  
17 his heart and soul into uplifting not just his congregation, but the Atlanta community at large;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, for nearly a decade, he has dedicated himself to fostering unity, hope, and  
20 healing throughout Atlanta and its surrounding areas; and

21 WHEREAS, alongside his wife Kristin, he established Master Peace Church, a virtual  
22 sanctuary dedicated to nurturing and restoring marriages, providing a beacon of light for  
23 countless individuals in need; and

24 WHEREAS, as a father of six, a devoted husband, a respected pastor, a compassionate  
25 leader, and a 2023 Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, his impact extends  
26 far beyond music, leaving an indelible mark of love and transformation on Atlanta and  
27 beyond; and

28 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
29 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he makes of his life, he  
30 makes this world a better place in which to live; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
32 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
34 recognize and commend Montell Jordan and thank him for his efforts of behalf of his  
35 community and state.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
37 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Montell Jordan.