

Senate Resolution 824

By: Senator James of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Julius "Lotsa Poppa" High, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Julius "Lotsa Poppa" High, Jr., was born to Reverend and Mrs. Julius "Lotsa
3 Poppa" High, Sr., in Atlanta, Georgia, and attended David T. Howard High School; and

4 WHEREAS, his early musical influences included such renowned artists as Bobby "Blue"
5 Bland and Sam Cook as well as his own love of gospel music and he began his distinguished
6 musical career in 1960 as the lead singer for The Royals; and

7 WHEREAS, he formed his own professional singing group called Lee Moses and The Show
8 Stoppers which performed every weekend at the Royal Peacock known as the "Apollo
9 Theater" of the South and his group played with musical greats that included Sam Cook, Otis
10 Redding, Jackie Wilson, James Brown, Arthur Prysock, and Brook Benton; and

11 WHEREAS, he has also performed with legendary blues artists such as Jimmy Reed, B.B.
12 King, Bobby "Blue" Bland, and Johnny Taylor and also performed with popular performers
13 including Smokey Robinson and the Miracles, Little Willie John, and Ruth Bound; and

14 WHEREAS, he relocated to Philadelphia where he performed at the Uptown and Apollo
15 Theaters and he also formed a new group called the Down to Earth Blues Band in Boston
16 which toured Canada, upstate New York, and Detroit and after 11 years' performing and
17 touring in and around Boston he returned to Atlanta, Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, he played at the Lithonia Country Club with blues greats such as Sonny Boy
19 Williams, Howling Wolf, Elmo James, Gatemouth Brown, Sugar Pie Disanto, and Faye
20 Adams and enjoyed an extended engagement at one of Atlanta's premier nightclubs, Blind
21 Willie's and currently is performing with the quartet called Atlanta's Heat Blues Review; and

1 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary career of this stellar
2 musician be recognized appropriately.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
4 commend Julius "Lotsa Poppa" High, Jr., for his many decades of outstanding contributions
5 to the world of music and extend to him their best wishes for continued success in the future.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Julius "Lotsa Poppa" High, Jr.