

House Resolution 554

By: Representatives McClinton of the 59th, Post 1, Coleman of the 118th, Parrish of the 102nd, Teper of the 42nd, Post 1, Henson of the 55th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus and their music director, Robert
2 Spano; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the renowned Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, now in its fifty-eighth season, is
4 the largest arts organization in the southeast and one of the youngest American orchestras to
5 achieve international prominence; and

6 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus was founded in 1970 by Robert Shaw,
7 is made up of 200 volunteer members, and plays an exceedingly important part in the Atlanta
8 Symphony Orchestra's programming; and

9 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus won three Grammy Awards on
10 February 23, 2003, for Best Classical Album, Best Choral Album, and Best Engineered
11 Album for their Telarc recording of Ralph Vaughan Williams' *A Sea Symphony*; and

12 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is exceedingly proud that such a superb orchestra and
13 chorus find their home in this great state and of the well-deserved accolades earned by such
14 orchestra and chorus; and

15 WHEREAS, the preeminent musical accomplishments of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra
16 and Chorus are the direct result of the unparalleled talent, persistent hard work, and selfless
17 dedication of their members; and

18 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus are ably led and directed by
19 Robert Spano, who has been recognized as an outstanding music director and conductor.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body recognize and commend the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and
22 Chorus for their many achievements, outstanding service to the music community, and their

1 efforts to encourage and enhance the continued enjoyment of music for all ages and the
2 citizens of Georgia and Robert Spano for his excellent leadership and commitment to music.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Atlanta Symphony
5 Orchestra and Chorus and Robert Spano.