

## House Resolution 1451

By: Representatives Barnes of the 84<sup>th</sup>, Post 2, Dodson of the 84<sup>th</sup>, Post 1, Coleman of the 118<sup>th</sup>, Westmoreland of the 86<sup>th</sup>, Buck of the 112<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 11, 2004, as "Atlanta Motor Speedway Day" and recognizing the Atlanta  
2 Motor Speedway for its many contributions to the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, March 11, 2004, is "Atlanta Motor Speedway Day" and the State of Georgia  
4 is proud of its long and storied affiliation with the National Association of Stock Car Auto  
5 Racing (NASCAR); and

6 WHEREAS, Atlanta Motor Speedway hosts two of NASCAR's most thrilling and  
7 prestigious Nextel Cup Series events, the Golden Corral 500 and the Bass Pro Shops MBNA  
8 500; and

9 WHEREAS, these races represent the two largest single-day sporting events each year in the  
10 State of Georgia, attracting fans from all 50 states and more than a dozen foreign nations  
11 along with more than ten million viewers worldwide; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2001, NASCAR drew 6.5 million fans to more than 70 events and more than  
13 75 million television viewers, making NASCAR the fastest growing sport on television; and

14 WHEREAS, only NASCAR can provide the kind of thrilling excitement and  
15 edge-of-your-seat drama that racing fans and Georgians crave and love; and

16 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the contributions of NASCAR, both sporting and  
17 economic, to our state be recognized.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 this body designates March 11, 2004, as "Atlanta Motor Speedway Day" and recognizes  
20 Atlanta Motor Speedway for its many contributions to the State of Georgia.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body express their pride and honor  
2 in hosting NASCAR and its Nextel Cup series races in our state and encourage NASCAR  
3 to continue to schedule all races presently being held at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Atlanta Motor  
6 Speedway.