

## House Resolution 1878

By: Representative Carter of the 175<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Third Day, the Grammy award winning contemporary  
2 Christian band, and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for  
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Third Day was formed in 1991 in Marietta, Georgia, when singer Mac Powell  
5 and guitarist Mark Lee, just completing high school, decided to leave their garage band to  
6 form a band where they could express their faith in God through their music; and

7 WHEREAS, the band has also included current members David Carr, Tai Anderson, and  
8 touring member Scotty Wilbanks, and former members Billy Wilkins, Geof Barkley, and  
9 Brad Avery; and

10 WHEREAS, in recognition of their commitment to spread the teachings of Christianity  
11 through their music, the band took their name from the biblical account of Jesus who rose  
12 from the dead on the third day following his crucifixion; and

13 WHEREAS, Third Day has been described by Billboard magazine as "not only one of the  
14 best Christian bands of the 1990's but one of the best rock bands, period"; and

15 WHEREAS, since the 1990's the band has only continued to increase in popularity and  
16 success, establishing an extraordinary musical career which includes 24 GMA Dove Awards,  
17 8 Grammy Award nominations, being named one of the Top 10 Contemporary Christian  
18 artists, 24 number 1 radio singles, 1 RIAA Certified Platinum Record, and 6 Gold Records,  
19 and now the band has won an unprecedented three Grammy Awards for each of their last  
20 three studio albums: "Come Together" won the Grammy Award for Best Rock Gospel  
21 Album of 2002; "Wire" won the Grammy Award for Best Rock Gospel Album of 2004; and  
22 "Wherever You Are" won the Grammy Award for Best Pop/Contemporary Gospel Album  
23 of 2006; and

1 WHEREAS, their new album, "Revelation," releases July 29, 2008, and features 12 new  
2 songs, adding to the band's rich history of gold and platinum selling records; and

3 WHEREAS, the band's success is a tribute to the members' hard work, dedication, and  
4 amazing musical abilities, and their tremendous achievements and strong proclamation of  
5 faith have brought great pride to the State of Georgia, the community, and their friends and  
6 family members; and

7 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that this body recognize the many contributions this  
8 incredibly talented group has made through their inspirational music.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
10 the members of this body congratulate Third Day for their brilliant success and commend  
11 them for their contributions to the citizens of this state which they have provided through  
12 their musical message of faith and hope.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of Third Day are invited to appear before  
14 this body at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives for  
15 the purpose of being recognized and receiving an appropriate copy of this resolution.