

Senate Resolution 855

By: Senator Davis of the 22nd

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Deon Grant; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Deon Grant is a native of Augusta, Georgia, who began his football career  
3 playing at T.W. Josey High School in the 1990's; and

4 WHEREAS, Deon was the nation's top defensive back recruit when he attended the  
5 University of Tennessee; and

6 WHEREAS, after tying an NCAA record with 11 interceptions as a junior, he was drafted  
7 into the NFL and was a second-round pick by the Carolina Panthers, starting in every  
8 professional game he has ever played; and

9 WHEREAS, currently playing safety for the New York Giants, Deon has achieved his  
10 attempt to become the third former T.W. Josey High School football player to be part of a  
11 Super Bowl winning team, joining 1991 Washington Redskins tight end Jimmie Johnson and  
12 2006 Pittsburgh Steelers linebacker Arnold Harrison; and

13 WHEREAS, through perseverance and iron determination, Deon Grant and the New York  
14 Giants won Super Bowl XLVI; and

15 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of this man is a clear indication of the outstanding  
16 athletic ability, dedication and hard work, and talents he has honed over his career; and

17 WHEREAS, as this Georgian earned his well-deserved reputation for excellence by  
18 performing with courage and precision over years of training and competition, it is  
19 abundantly proper to recognize him.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 commend Deon Grant for his years of hard work and perseverance, recognize his outstanding

22 contributions in the NFL and with the New York Giants' Super Bowl victory, and extend  
23 their sincerest best wishes for future success.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
25 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Deon Grant.