

House Resolution 754

By: Representatives Williams of the 168th, Bell of the 58th, and Jackson of the 128th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Leslie Jordan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Leslie Jordan, the owner of one of the oldest operating businesses on Edgewood
3 Avenue, Leslie's Barber Shop, has long been recognized as a fixture in the Atlanta
4 community; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he was born on May 7, 1926, in Sandersville, Georgia, a beloved son of the late
6 Julian Jordan, Sr., and Nina Mae Poole Jordan; and
- 7 WHEREAS, when he came to Atlanta, he went to work as a truck driver for the John Harland
8 Company; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he began working in several shops along Boulevard and Auburn Avenue,
10 picking up a regular clientele, and he worked for John Eagle, a well-known barber who
11 agreed to sell Leslie his shop; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Leslie opened Leslie's Barber Shop, and it became a neighborhood institution,
13 a gathering place, a community grapevine, a place to play checkers, and a place to share
14 opinions; and
- 15 WHEREAS, in some families, Leslie has cut four generations of hair, and he has cut the hair
16 of Dr. Martin Luther King and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was married to the late Helen Bridges Jordan and has four living children
18 and one child, Janice, who passed away in 2006; and he also has 11 grandchildren, 15
19 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
21 remarkable individual be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body recognize and commend Leslie Jordan.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Leslie Jordan.