

## House Resolution 68

By: Representatives Roberts of the 155<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 135<sup>th</sup>, O'Neal of the 146<sup>th</sup>, LaRiccia of the 169<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 168<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Dave Prater of the legendary Sam & Dave music duo; and  
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Dave Prater was born on May 9, 1937, in Ocilla, Georgia, and sang in the  
4 choir at Mt. Olive, AME Church; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Prater played in soul and rhythm and blues clubs throughout the 1950's  
6 before he formed the duo Sam & Dave with Sam Moore after meeting at a talent contest at  
7 the King of Hearts Club in Miami, Florida; and

8 WHEREAS, the duo released several gospel/soul type rhythm and blues hits including, "Hold  
9 On! I'm Comin'," "You Got Me Hummin'," "When Something Is Wrong With My Baby,"  
10 "Soul Man," and "I Thank You"; and

11 WHEREAS, the duo parted ways in 1970 but continued to reunite for shows and concerts,  
12 to the delight of their devoted fans; and

13 WHEREAS, Sam & Dave were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1993; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Prater's exemplary music career is in keeping with the proudest tradition  
15 of music history and reflects great credit upon him, his family, and the City of Ocilla; and

16 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the impressive career of this  
17 distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body recognize the numerous accomplishments of Mr. Dave Prater of  
20 the legendary Sam & Dave music duo.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
22 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
23 family of Mr. Dave Prater.