

House Resolution 652

By: Representative Waites of the 60th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Millie Jackson for her accomplishments as an entertainer; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Millie Jackson is a charismatic and multi-talented entertainer and music
4 industry icon whose often criticized career paved the way for many of today's forward female
5 recording artists and entertainers; and

6 WHEREAS, several years ago, she created, financed, directed, and starred in a hit musical
7 stage play that was based on one of her previous recordings, "Young Man, Older Woman";
8 and

9 WHEREAS, her career was launched in a New York night club on a bet; winning the bet by
10 performing resulted in Millie's metamorphic rise from a fledgling performer to a
11 world-renown electrifying entertainer; and

12 WHEREAS, her debut album resulted in Millie being named "Most Promising Female
13 Vocalist" by a NATRA no defunct raid and record industry organization; the following year,
14 her single, "Hurts So Good," was featured in the Warner Brothers film, "Cleopatra Jones," and
15 the soundtrack album resulted in Millie winning "Best Female R&B Vocalists" honors from
16 *Cash Box Magazine*; and

17 WHEREAS, Millie went on to record seven more albums between two different labels:
18 Jive/Zomba Records, an English based label distributed by RCA Records, and the Georgia
19 based Ichiban Records; four albums and several singles were released during her tenure at
20 Jive/Zomba Records, with two of the singles reaching the national Top Ten R&B music
21 charts; and

22 WHEREAS, Millie has been dubbed the Mother of Hip Hop because of her 1980 recording,
23 "I Had to Say It"; this record session led to her being called on to do a Sprite commercial; and

24 WHEREAS, for the past several years, Millie has been doing her daily radio show on KKDA
25 in Dallas, Texas, from various locations around the country; and

26 WHEREAS, Millie was inspired to record again and decided to launch her own label and
27 record the types of songs and materials that made her the outspoken, sexually liberated Millie
28 Jackson that people loved and flocked to see.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend Millie Jackson for her accomplishments as an entertainer.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Millie
33 Jackson.