

Senate Resolution 515

By: Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Jackson of the 24th and Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Ed Roland on his induction into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, for the past two decades, Atlanta native Ed Roland has been the front man and
4 heart of the platinum-selling rock band Collective Soul; and

5 WHEREAS, he has written seven #1 radio hits and sold more than 10 million albums
6 worldwide; his newest musical endeavor, *Ed Roland and the Sweet Tea Project*, released
7 their debut album, *Devils n' Darlins*, in 2013; and in 2014, Collective Soul performed around
8 the globe on an extensive world tour celebrating the band's 20th anniversary and its 9th
9 studio album, *See What You Started by Continuing*, due to release in spring of 2015; and

10 WHEREAS, Ed Roland studied guitar and songwriting at Berklee College of Music in
11 Boston and is the recipient of several good will accolades, including the 2010 Riverkeeper's
12 River Rockstar Award and Usher's 2013 New Look Foundation Youth Catalyst Award; and

13 WHEREAS, he currently lives in Sandy Springs, Georgia, with his wife and youngest of two
14 sons; and

15 WHEREAS, he enjoys golf and contributing to local charitable organizations; Ed Roland's
16 annual fundraising event at Eddie's Attic has raised over \$150,000 for charitable
17 organizations in his community; and

18 WHEREAS, Ed Roland was inducted into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame in 2014, and it
19 is both fitting and proper that his contributions to music and the State of Georgia's musical
20 history be recognized.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend Ed Roland on his induction into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame and look forward
23 to seeing his work recognized and recorded into Georgia's musical history and legacy.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ed Roland.