

## House Resolution 909

By: Representatives Waites of the 60<sup>th</sup>, Jones of the 53<sup>rd</sup>, Anderson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Stovall of the 74<sup>th</sup>, and Douglas of the 78<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Thomas Mikal Ford; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Thomas Mikal Ford was born on September 5, 1964, in Los Angeles,  
3 California; he is an actor and producer known for *Martin* (1992), *Harlem Nights* (1989), and  
4 *Across the Tracks* (1990); and
- 5 WHEREAS, he recently completed four seasons on TV One's hit show, *Who's Got Jokes*,  
6 hosted by Bill Bellemy, as the hilarious Pope of Comedy; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in the past few years, Mr. Ford has starred in more than 15 films: *First*  
8 *Impression*, *Hillbilly Highway*, *Ivy League*, *Who Did I Marry*, *Unspoken Word*, *Douglass*  
9 *U*, *Dreams (the Movie)*, *No More Games*, *Switching the Script*, *Hard Lessons*, *4 Play*,  
10 *Mississippi Blues*, *Back Court*, and others, in addition to a new TV series called *Basketball*  
11 *Wives*; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Ford has been focusing recently on building a successful career behind the  
13 camera by directing and producing several webisodes, television dramas, sitcom pilots, and  
14 seven films; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he launched a series of award-winning children's books that promote a healthy,  
16 spiritual, and nonviolent way of life; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he has also brought positive attention to the issue of literacy in America and  
18 beyond; he is currently working on *Real Men Read* and *Laughter for Literacy*; and for  
19 parents and teachers, he offers *Drama THERAPY*, an inner assessment and cleansing of self  
20 disguised as an acting workshop; and
- 21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this  
22 remarkable and distinguished actor and producer be appropriately recognized.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body commend Thomas Mikal Ford for his accomplishments and extend  
25 to him their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
28 Thomas Mikal Ford.