

Senate Resolution 915

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

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending John Barbe and the late Jane Barbe for their 2015 Pioneer
2 Award and induction into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, John Barbe is a clarinetist, composer, and arranger of music; and

4 WHEREAS, for over three decades, he has written arrangements for big bands and singers,
5 composing and producing music for more than 300 commercials, ten documentaries, and
6 many other pieces; and

7 WHEREAS, Jane Barbe was a singer, dancer, and actress and holds the distinction of having
8 been the mysterious Telephone and Time Lady; and

9 WHEREAS, back in the day of landlines, more than 50 million people across the country
10 called a telephone number to hear the current time and heard the voice of Atlanta's own Jane
11 Barbe; and

12 WHEREAS, by 2000, 300 million people per week heard her iconic voice, and her voice
13 became well-known in American pop culture and has been heard around the world, including
14 Hong Kong, Saudi Arabia, and other countries; and

15 WHEREAS, she passed away in 2003 at the age of 74 due to cancer in Roswell, Georgia, and
16 is survived by her husband John Barbe, daughter Susan, son David, and their seven
17 grandchildren.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 commend John Barbe and the late Jane Barbe for their astounding successes in the music
20 industry and recognize their acceptance of the 2015 Pioneer Award and induction into the
21 Georgia Music Hall of Fame.

- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to John Barbe.