

Senate Resolution 86

By: Senator Thompson of the 5th

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Robertson Family for becoming USA Artists in Residence  
2 for the City of Atlanta; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Rosemary, John Sr., John Jr., and James Robertson, residents of the City of  
4 Atlanta in Fulton County, have achieved the distinction of becoming USA Artists in  
5 Residence for the City of Atlanta, Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, the USA Artists in Residence for Atlanta, Georgia, serve as goodwill  
7 ambassadors to promote cultural understanding and friendships among the people of the City  
8 of Atlanta through jazz, gospel, jazz gospel, music of the African diaspora, theatrical  
9 performances, education, health and wellness, and cultural awareness; and

10 WHEREAS, the Robertson Family has made outstanding contributions to the arts in the State  
11 of Georgia throughout their unique multi-ethnic art form and method, which combines  
12 historical themes and current events as both serious messages and entertainment values,  
13 community involvement such as Concerts and Conversations, and development of youth; and

14 WHEREAS, as master musicians both individually and collectively, the Robertson Family  
15 provides artists and youths in the State of Georgia and the Southeast with the opportunity to  
16 benefit from their mentorship, be a part of public service, and advance the cultural heritage  
17 of the state; and

18 WHEREAS, the Robertson Family passes on the legacy of family tradition as participants  
19 of the Jazz Collaborative, bringing awareness to jazz as a culture and art form, and they are  
20 of inestimable value to their admiring fans throughout Georgia; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the musical accomplishments of this  
22 distinguished Georgian family be appropriately recognized with the J Legacy Award as USA  
23 Artists in Residence for the City of Atlanta.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
25 recognize and commend the Robertson Family on the success they have deservedly achieved  
26 throughout their careers as educators, mentors, and musicians and congratulate them for  
27 becoming USA Artists in Residence for the City of Atlanta and recipients of the J Legacy  
28 Award.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Robertson  
31 Family.