

House Resolution 1879

By: Representatives Mitchell of the 88th and Alexander of the 66th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Tameka Harris; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Tameka Harris was born in College Park, Georgia, and rose to fame in the
3 1990s as a member of the multi-platinum R&B vocal group Xscape; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she joined Xscape in 1990 while attending Tri-Cities Performing Arts High
5 School; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Xscape was discovered by producer Jermaine Dupri while singing at his
7 birthday celebration in Atlanta, Georgia, where Dupri immediately signed the group to his
8 then-new record label, So So Def Recordings; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Tameka Harris has contributed to three of Xscape's platinum albums: *Hummin'*
10 *Comin' at 'Cha*, *Off the Hook*, and *Traces of My Lipstick*; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she sang lead vocals on six of Xscape's hit singles: "Understanding", "Do You
12 Want To?", "All I Need", "Love's a Funny Thing", "My Little Secret", and "Am I Dreamin";
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Xscape members have received two Soul Train Music Awards for Best New
15 R&B Artist and Best R&B Album as well as the A-Town Music Award for Best Duo/Group;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Tameka Harris and fellow ex-Xscape group member Kandi Burruss, also
18 received Grammy Awards for their writing contributions on the TLC hit "No Scrubs"; and

19 WHEREAS, her other notable accomplishments include an American Society of Composers,
20 Authors, and Publishers award in the R&B and Pop Music categories for "No Scrubs", as
21 well as the ASCAP Rap Award for her work on the Sporty Thievez track "No Pigeons"; and

22 WHEREAS, she has recorded on soundtracks for films: *The Baby-Sitters Club*, *Sunset Park*,
23 *The Mask*, *Soul Food*, *Panther*, *Bad Boys*, and *Love Jones*; and

24 WHEREAS, in June 2009, Tameka Harris made her reality TV debut on BET's *Tiny and*
25 *Toya*; and

26 WHEREAS, from 2001 to 2017, Tameka Harris along with her husband T.I. and their
27 children, were featured in *T.I. & Tiny The Family Hustle* on VH!; and

28 WHEREAS, on July 22, 2014, Tameka Harris returned to the music industry under her new
29 label Pretty Hustle, with her first solo single "*What The F*** You Gon Do?*," that reached
30 number one on the iTunes R&B/Soul charts within 24 hours of release.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body recognize and commend Tameka Harris for her invaluable
33 contributions to the communities she has served.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
36 Tameka Harris.