

## **R&B Music Icon, Larry Dodson, to be Honored at Capitol**

**“Day of Distinction” to recognize legendary “Bar-Kays” singer,  
as Arkansas celebrates “Black History Month”**

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**(Little Rock, AR)** – Arkansas will be honoring a musical icon during the “Larry Dodson Day of Distinction”, as the state celebrates “Black History Month”, a time in which we recognize the history and contributions of African-Americans.

Mr. Dodson, famed lead singer of legendary Memphis R&B band, “The Bar-Kays”, will receive the prestigious “Arkansas Traveler” award, which will be presented to him by State Representative Matt Duffield.

“Old school R&B music can lift people up from feeling down. It brings people together. No one has contributed more to this than Larry Dodson of the mighty Bar-Kays. It will be a pleasure to honor a great man inside the Capitol walls,” said State Rep. Duffield.

Dodson’s memoir, *“And the Band Plays On: The Life Story of Larry Dodson of The Bar-Kays”*, tells of Dodson’s early days with The Bar-Kays, as well as the band’s rise to prominence, selling millions of records around the world with 20 top ten singles, 30 albums and numerous gold and platinum records. Autographed copies of *“And the Band Plays On”* will be available at the event.

The “Larry Dodson Day of Distinction” celebration starts at 12 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> in the State Capitol Rotunda.

**For more information on Larry Dodson, please visit:**

<http://www.thelarrydodson.com/>

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