## **Hip-Hop Appreciation Week Jumps Off in Atlanta**

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Peace and much love! The divinity in me, salutes the divinity in you!

Greetings Family, I pray all is well with you, your family and your endeavors.

As you know, May 15-22, 2006 is the 9th Annual Hip Hop Appreciation Week; our theme for this year is "ACTION"! The main purpose of HHAW is to de-criminalize the images of the Hip Hop community and to celebrate the positive, productive and progressive aspects of our culture, our leaders and us.

In case y"all forgot, TODAY, May 16, 2006, is Hiphop Independence Day! Today, Hip Hop Kulture will also celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the Hiphop Declaration Of Peace (HDOP)! This is the document that was presented at the United Nations on May 16, 2001, by KRS-One, Chuck D, James Mtume, Kool DJ Herc, Temple of Hiphop, Universal Zulu Nation, and over 300 Hiphoppas, to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Ribbons International, Peace Action, New York's City Hall and the Riverside Church. This was a major step establish Hiphop Kulture as an international culture of Peace and Prosperity, giving us a set of 18 Principles that will allow us to govern ourselves as an international collective community, for more info, visit www.templeofhiphop.org.

The metro Atlanta Hip Hop community has always taken the lead in having great HHAW events and with all the hype surrounding the ATL; we want to use it to benefit our entire community, not just the entertainment industry. Since our theme for this year is "ACTION", we would invite you to join us in all of the HHAW events! Here's a brief schedule for some of the events happening during HHAW in the metro ATL.

May 14 "Hip Hop Appreciation Week Kickoff" at InSpirit Truth Center, Atlanta, GA 10:30am Lesson/Sermon "Hip Hop and the Power of Spoken Word" by Minister Stanley Yorker. (Y'all missed this one, get the DVD!)

May 16 "Mic Club" at Apache" Cafe, Atlanta, GA 10pm-2am Hosted by Dres Tha Beatnik, special appearance by Minister Server

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May 17 "Letter To The President" DVD Screening and Spoken Word performances at Diverse Universe, Athens, GA 8pm-12am Hosted by Minister Server, performances by Ishues, Celeste, Badkat and others!

May 18 "Hip Hop and Fatherhood" at Forrest Hills Elementary School, Decatur, GA 6:30pm-8: 30pm Open Forum Community Discussion Moderated by Minister Server.

May 19 Malcolm X's Birthday Celebration, Minister Server will visit various events on behalf of HHAW. Phone interview with Minister Server on WESU 90.3FM, Providence, RI 2:30am-3am.

May 20 "The Beats and Lyrics Show" WRFG 89.3 FM, Atlanta, GA Hosted by Iras, interview with Minister Server about HHAW.

May 21 "Hiphop, God and You!" at InSpirit Truth Center 5320 Campbell ton Road, Atlanta, GA 10:30am-12pm Lesson/Sermon by Minister Server Special Guest Performances during the service.

May 22 The official presentation of the "Hiphop Declaration Of Peace" to Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney at the Tupac Shakur Center for Performing Arts, Stone Mountain, GA 11am-11: 30am by Minister Server, Dee Dee Cocheta, Steve Waddy, the Temple of Hiphop and others!

As you can see, we're gettin' busy as usual in the "Dirty South" however, we need y'all to COME OUT to these events to really make them CRUNK, nahmean?! Spread the message, Hiphop Kulture is finally ready to take our place in society with the other world cultures, "we got next", Word! Have a GREAT HHAW and I hope to see you at these events, WORD!

Forever Hiphop,

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