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Former Keyboardist for R&B legends The Spinners Receives Congressional Award Among Many Honors

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – July 28, 2005: Rodney Stepp, former keyboardist for the Spinners, a classic R&B musical group that received 6 Grammy Awards, was recently acknowledged for not only his musical talent, but for his contribution to the community.

On July 14, Stepp was presented with the State of Indiana's Distinguished Hoosier Award, an award presented to individuals who distinguish themselves through significant contributions to their communities, whereas the qualities of such individuals not only reflect the best of the great State of Indiana, but also display an unrelenting sense of responsibility, commitment and concern for others. He also received the City of Indianapolis's Distinguished Citizen Award, Julia Carson presented him with a Congressional Award and he received a Congressional Records Award from the United States Congress, House of Representatives for his attainments.

"It is an honor and a privilege to be recognized as a supporter of our community and for my gift and contribution in the music industry for 40 years," said Stepp.

With a capacity to astonish others with his beautifully crafted sounds, Rodney has turned his love for music into a higher calling and that is to serve the people of his community. Inasmuch, Stepp's community leadership included work for the Christian Service Charities, service in the United States Army, the AIDS Foundation, Dollars for Scholars, Indiana Black Expo and much more. His professional honors have also included ADDYs for the Indiana State Museum Project and for several Hoosier Lottery commercials.

Combining his love for music and people has earned the respect and admiration of Hoosiers across the state and will appeal to the hearts and minds of all Hoosiers for many years to come.