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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

Introduced by: Crawford

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to urge the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) to designate Interstate Route 65 from Milepost 106 to Milepost 123 as the Kenny "Babyface" Edmonds Highway.

Whereas, Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, an esteemed native of Indianapolis, Indiana and a graduate from North Central High School has achieved national recognition as a producer by receiving the 1992, 1995 and 1996 Grammy Award, "Producer of the Year";

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds has received the 1995 NAACP "Image Award";

Whereas, in 1996 Mr. Edmonds was nominated for a record of 12 Grammy nominations;



Whereas, Mr. Edmonds's impeccably crafted exploration of love, romance and relationships have made an indelible imprint on the evolution of Rhythm, Blues, and Pop music throughout the world;

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds has accomplished 116 Top-10 R&B and Pop hits, 46 number one R&B hits, 51 Top-10 hits, including 16 number ones, producing sales of over 29 million singles and 77.5 million albums;

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds composed his debut motion picture score for "Waiting to Exhale", which sold an astonishing 7 million copies and was the No. 1 album in the country for five weeks in 1996.

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds left his mark at the 1996 Atlantic Olympic Games, as he co-wrote and co-produced, what became the 1996 Olympic Games anthem, "Power of the Dream";

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds's numerous contributions garnered him the 1996 Essence Award for Excellence, which is awarded to individuals who have made a positive impact on society through their charitable work;

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds is the National Spokesman for the Boarder Baby Project for abandoned infants; and

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds raised nearly a half-million dollars for the maintenance of "The Little Blue House", which provides transitional housing for the "Boarder Babies";

Whereas, In 1998 Mr. Edmonds donated his first platinum record and diploma to North Central High School;

Whereas, Mr. Edmonds is co-owner and co-founder of LaFace Records and Edmonds Entertainment;

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*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) to designate Interstate Route 65 from Milepost 106 to Milepost 123 as the Kenny "Babyface" Edmonds Highway.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives transmit a copy of this House Resolution to the Indiana Department of Transportation

