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*Introduced by:* **Smith V**

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A RESOLUTION honoring Fred "The Hammer" Williamson.

*Whereas, Fred "The Hammer" Williamson is a native of Gary, Indiana, and a graduate of Froebel High School;*

*Whereas, Fred Williamson attended Northwestern University where he earned a degree in architecture while becoming an All-Big Ten flanker in football and the conference shot put champion in 1957;*

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*Whereas, After graduation, Fred signed with the San Francisco 49ers and made the conversion to cornerback;*

*Whereas, In addition to the San Francisco 49ers, Fred Williamson also played for the Pittsburgh Steelers, the Oakland Raiders, the Kansas City Chiefs, and briefly in the Canadian Football League;*

*Whereas, After leaving football, Fred became a full-time architect in Oakland, a career that he found boring;*

*Whereas, He gave up designing buildings for a career in movies and television;*

*Whereas, Though he was working, Fred longed for more varied roles. He formed his own production company, Po' Boy Productions, and has produced, directed, and starred in more than 50 films, including "Black Caesar", "Three the Hard Way", "Joshua", "The Big Score", "Warrior of the Lost World", "Black Cobra" 1, 2, & 3, "The Messenger", "Silent Hunter", "From Dusk till Dawn", and "Original Gangstas" which was filmed in Gary; and*

*Whereas, Fred "The Hammer" Williamson has come a long way since his days at Froebel High School in Gary, Indiana: Therefore,*

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

||| SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to  
 ||| acknowledge the accomplishments of Fred Williamson, both on and off  
 ||| the football field, and to thank him for the many hours of pleasure his  
 ||| television shows and movies have given us.

||| SECTION 2. That the principal clerk of the House of  
 ||| Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Fred  
 ||| "The Hammer" Williamson.

