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STATE OF INDIANA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
INDIANAPOLIS

**EXECUTIVE ORDER: 17-26**

**FOR: PARDON FOR FRANKLIN RAY MEADOWS, JR.**

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS.

**WHEREAS**, Franklin Meadows, who has petitioned for a pardon, was convicted in 1981 in Lawrence Circuit Court of Delivery of a Controlled Substance, a Class B felony for which he was sentenced to eight years;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner has received an expungement for these offenses under Indiana's Second Chance Act;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner has successfully served his sentence;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner, now 55 years old, has not been convicted since successfully completing his sentence;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner, while incarcerated, obtained his GED and completed barber school, now owns a barber shop where he has worked for 27 years and where he has been a mentor to many;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner has been actively and substantially involved in his community throughout the years and his conviction prevents his continued involvement in certain volunteer activities;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner committed the offense when he was 18 years old, some 36 years ago;

**WHEREAS**, numerous friends and community members are supportive of petitioner receiving a pardon; and

**WHEREAS**, the Indiana Parole Board, after careful investigation, review and examination of the facts with respect to petitioner in this matter has unanimously recommended that the Governor issue a pardon to the petitioner.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb**, Governor of the State of Indiana, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Indiana Constitution and the laws of our State, do hereby issue a Pardon to **FRANKLIN RAY MEADOWS, JR.** for his 1981 Delivery of a Controlled Substance conviction in Lawrence County, and it is so ordered.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I, Eric J. Holcomb, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 20th day of November, 2017.

Eric J. Holcomb  
Governor of Indiana

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ATTEST: Connie Lawson  
Secretary of State

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