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RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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A RESOLUTION honoring Benjamin Harrison "Ben" Taylor.

*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison "Ben" Taylor is a newly inducted member of the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York;*

*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison Taylor was born on July 1, 1888, in Anderson, South Carolina, and died on January 24, 1953, in Baltimore, Maryland;*

*Whereas, His baseball career spanned a period of 21 years, from 1908 until 1928;*

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*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison Taylor began his professional baseball career as a pitcher under the direction of his older brother C.I. with the Birmingham Giants;*

*Whereas, After spending several seasons with the West Baden Sprudels, St. Louis Giants, Lincoln Giants, and Chicago American Giants, he became a first baseman;*

*Whereas, In 1914, Benjamin Harrison Taylor began a nine year stay with the Indianapolis ABCs;*

*Whereas, It was during his time with the Indianapolis ABCs that his vast talents began to be recognized;*

*Whereas, He became known as "Old Reliable" for his sure hands and clutch hitting;*

*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison Taylor was primarily a line-drive hitting clean-up batter, but he registered numerous four-hit games;*

*Whereas, In 1922, his final season with Indianapolis, Benjamin Harrison Taylor assumed managerial duties following the death of his brother C.I.;*

*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison Taylor continued to manage, coach, and umpire through the early 1940s; and*

*Whereas, Benjamin Harrison Taylor is an example of an outstanding athlete who greatly deserves the special recognition of his admission into the National Baseball Hall of Fame: Therefore,*

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

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to  
2 acknowledge the special talent and many contributions Benjamin  
3 Harrison Taylor made to the game of baseball.

4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
5 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the National  
6 Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York.

