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Senators Thomas, Burke
Cosponsor: Senator Yuko

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the Commissioner of Major League Baseball to
remove Peter Edward "Pete" Rose from Major League
Baseball's permanently ineligible list as soon as
possible, and to urge the Baseball Writers'
Association of America and the National Baseball Hall
of Fame to include Rose on the Hall of Fame ballot.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, Peter Edward "Pete" Rose is the all-time leader in
hits, at bats, and games played in Major League Baseball, and is
the only Major League Baseball player to play more than 500
games at five different positions; and

WHEREAS, Rose is a seventeen-time Major League Baseball All
Star, is the only player to be an All Star at five different
positions, and is the winner of two Gold Gloves, the Rookie of
the Year award, three batting titles, a Most Valuable Player
award, and three World Series titles, two with the Cincinnati
Reds and one with the Philadelphia Phillies; and

WHEREAS, Rose managed the Cincinnati Reds beginning in 1984
until 1989, compiling a record of 426-388, the fifth most wins

by a manager in Reds history; and 19

WHEREAS, On August 24, 1989, Rose voluntarily accepted a 20
permanent place on Major League Baseball's ineligible list in 21
response to a Major League Baseball investigation concerning his 22
gambling activities, including gambling on baseball games. The 23
investigation did not produce any evidence that Rose gambled 24
against the Reds while he was the manager of the team; and 25

WHEREAS, Under Major League Baseball rules, Rose was 26
eligible to apply for reinstatement on or after August 24, 1990. 27
Rose applied for reinstatement in 1992, but Major League 28
Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent refused to act on the 29
application; and 30

WHEREAS, On March 16, 2015, Rose applied to Major League 31
Baseball Commissioner Robert Manfred for reinstatement, but the 32
Commissioner denied the request on December 14, 2015; now 33
therefore be it 34

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 132nd General 35
Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge Robert Manfred, the 36
Commissioner of Major League Baseball, to remove Peter Edward 37
"Pete" Rose from Major League Baseball's permanently ineligible 38
list as soon as possible; and be it further 39

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 132nd General 40
Assembly of the State of Ohio, urge the Baseball Writers' 41
Association of America and the National Baseball Hall of Fame to 42
include Pete Rose on the next Hall of Fame ballot; and be it 43
further 44

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 45
authenticated copies of this resolution to Major League Baseball 46
Commissioner Robert Manfred, the Baseball Writers' Association 47
of America, the National Baseball Hall of Fame, and the news 48
media of Ohio. 49