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H. R. No. 497

Representatives Callender, Grim, Baker, Ray

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the late Neill Kirby "Mojo Nixon" McMillan, Jr. on June 11, 2024, being recognized as Mojo Nixon Day in Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1 General Assembly of Ohio extend posthumous recognition to Neill Kirby 2 "Mojo Nixon" McMillan, Jr., on Mojo Nixon Day in Ohio, June 11, 2024; 3 and 4

WHEREAS, Mojo Nixon will long be remembered as a man who 5 contributed a great deal to his community and state through his 6 ongoing legacy as a social commentator, a live rock performer, and a 7 film, MTV, and radio personality. His four-decade-long career as a 8 recording artist merged punk, folk, talking blues and rockabilly music 9 that served as a distinctly American hybrid, especially on his iconic 10 "Elvis Is Everywhere." Moreover, it led to roles in the major motion 11 picture "Great Balls of Fire," landmark MTV promos and documentary 12 "Mojo Manifesto," as well as histrionic bands with John Doe, Jello 13 Biafra, Dave Alvin, "Country Dick" Montana and others; and 14

WHEREAS, The longtime resident of Greater Cincinnati began his15radio career on WEBN-FM, and he went on to spend two decades as the16voice of "Outlaw Country" on SiriusXM, while also making appearances17on its Howard 100 Channel. Without a doubt, he was infinitely18important for the ceaseless entertainment initiatives that enriched19the lives of those who listened to him; and20

WHEREAS, His stage attire was so unique and consistent for twenty 21 years that his iconic "daisy dukes" denim shorts will be the first to 22 ever be put on display at the Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame; and 23

WHEREAS, It is through the unsurpassed efforts and unparalleled 24 commitment of individuals such as Mojo Nixon that State of Ohio 25

continues to grow and prosper and remains responsive to the needs of 26 its citizens. He has earned a well-deserved reputation as a generous 27 and civic-minded person, and he is deserving of the highest praise for 28 his concerted efforts to inform and entertain his audience; therefore 29 be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 31 the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 32 congratulate the late Neill Kirby "Mojo Nixon" McMillan, Jr., during 33 Mojo Nixon Day in Ohio, June 11, 2024, and urge the citizens of our 34 great state to take the time to play his music loudly and reflect on 35 the life of a truly outstanding Ohioan; and be it further 36

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 37 a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the family of Neill 38 Kirby "Mojo Nixon"McMillan, Jr. 39

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