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Senate Resolution 516

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Jackson of the 41st, Brass of the 28th, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and recognizing Edwin Moses; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses, born on August 31, 1955, in Dayton, Ohio, is an American
- 3 former track and field athlete renowned for his outstanding contributions to the sport; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses achieved unprecedented success, winning gold medals in the
- 5 400m hurdles at the 1976 and 1984 Olympics and setting a world record four times in the
- 6 event; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses demonstrated unparalleled excellence with his consecutive 122
- 8 race winning streak, a testament to his skill, dedication, and dominance in the arena of track
- 9 and field; and
- 10 WHEREAS, beyond his athletic prowess, Edwin Moses was an innovative reformer in areas
- such as Olympic eligibility and drug testing, contributing significantly to the improvement
- 12 of standards and ethics in sports; and

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13 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses's remarkable career extended beyond competition, as in 2012 he

- 14 was elected as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Anti-Doping Agency
- 15 (USADA); and
- 16 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses's outstanding achievements earned him numerous accolades,
- 17 including being named "The Greatest 400m Hurdler of All Time" by *Track & Field News*
- and receiving the 1980 Track & Field News Athlete of the Year award despite the U.S. led
- 19 boycott of the Moscow Olympics; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses's dedication to clean and fair competition continued in his role
- 21 as Chairman Emeritus of USADA, contributing to the reduction of illegal,
- 22 performance-enhancing substances in athletics; and
- 23 WHEREAS, after his retirement from track, Edwin Moses achieved success in bobsledding,
- 24 winning a bronze medal in a 1990 World Cup race at Winterberg, Germany, and later
- 25 receiving an MBA from Pepperdine University; and
- 26 WHEREAS, in 2000, Moses was elected as the inaugural Chairman of the Laureus World
- 27 Sports Academy, which promotes participation in sports and utilizing sports as a tool for
- 28 positive social change around the world; and
- 29 WHEREAS, Edwin Moses's contributions extend to education, as he received an honorary
- 30 doctorate from the University of Massachusetts Boston in May 2009 for his efforts to
- 31 maintain the integrity of Olympic sports and his use of sports for positive social change.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 33 honor and recognize Edwin Moses for his exceptional accomplishments in the field of

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34 athletics, his commitment to integrity in sports, and his influential role in shaping the

- 35 landscape of track and field.
- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 37 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Edwin Moses as
- 38 a token of the highest esteem and gratitude from the people of the State of Georgia.