

House Concurrent Resolution No. 89

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHROER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

2 **WHEREAS**, it is with special pleasure that members of the Missouri Legislature pause
3 to recognize an outstanding Missouri team with origins like that of no other Missouri football
4 team; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, the XFL announced in 2019 its plans to ignite its football league and
7 awarded the people of Missouri its first ever homegrown football team located in St. Louis; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis BattleHawks were first established in 2020, with the City of
10 St. Louis and the Dome at America's Center being selected to serve as the home for one of eight
11 inaugural teams in the newly reformed XFL; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis BattleHawks represent St. Louis and the great state of
14 Missouri on the field, boasting the proud distinguishment of being the only homegrown football
15 team, having not been transferred or moved but instead being created and born right here in the
16 Show-Me State; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis BattleHawks look to continue a long tradition of sporting
19 excellence and dominant play as they represent Missouri, led by President Kurt Hunzeker, a born
20 and raised native of Missouri, and former Missouri professional football player now Head Coach
21 and General Manager Jonathan Hayes, and joined by team members who are also homegrown
22 Missourians: L'Damian Washington, Marcus Lucas, Brian Folkerts, and Dewayne Hendrix; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, St. Louis is once again proud to call a football team its own, playing the
25 game so beloved by this nation with ownership and leadership who understand what it means to

26 be Missouri proud and seeing the potential and desire for football to be returned to the Home of
27 the Arch and the Gateway to the West; and

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29 **WHEREAS**, St. Louis and the State of Missouri look forward to all of the great things
30 we know will come from the BattleHawks' arrival, with fans ready to join collectively in
31 passionate support of this newest Missouri-based team; which, thanks to those same fans,
32 proudly boasts the strongest social media following while also leading the nation in television
33 viewership, with a loud resounding "Ka-Kaw" being heard across the nation:

34 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of
35 Representatives of the One Hundredth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate
36 concurring therein, hereby designate the XFL BattleHawks as the Official XFL Team of
37 Missouri; and

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39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
40 Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for Kurt
41 Hunzeker, President of the BattleHawks, and Jonathan Hayes, the BattleHawks' Head Coach and
42 General Manager.

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