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Representative Slesnick

Cosponsors: Representatives Ashford, Leland, Cera, Brenner, Fedor, Boyd,
Antonio, Lepore-Hagan, Reece, Sheehy, Hackett, Perales

A BILL

To enact section 5.2298 of the Revised Code to
designate October 7 as Moses Fleetwood Walker
Day.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5.2298 of the Revised Code be
enacted to read as follows:

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Sec. 5.2298. The seventh day of October is designated as
"Moses Fleetwood Walker Day" in honor of the Ohioan who was the
first African-American major league baseball player under
contract.

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In declaring the seventh day of October "Moses Fleetwood
Walker Day," the general assembly recognizes the contribution
that Moses Fleetwood Walker made to the integration of
professional athletics. Born in Mount Pleasant, Ohio, on October
7, 1856, Moses Fleetwood Walker played one season with the
Toledo Blue Stockings and died in Cleveland in 1924.

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