THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 431 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY HOHENSTEIN, McCLINTON, GALLAGHER, CEPHAS, BURGOS, T. DAVIS, DAWKINS, ISAACSON, KHAN, NEILSON, PARKER, YOUNG, HILL-EVANS, GREINER, WAXMAN, BERNSTINE, SAPPEY, KINSEY, SANCHEZ, GIRAL, BOROWSKI, CERRATO, CIRESI, GUENST, ROZZI, DALEY, OTTEN, BELLMON, KENYATTA AND D. WILLIAMS, MAY 9, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, MAY 9, 2024

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing November 5, 2024, as Jason Kelce's birthday, and 1 December 13, 2024, as Fletcher Cox's birthday; and honoring 2 their careers as former players for the Philadelphia Eagles. 3 4 WHEREAS, Jason Kelce, born November 5, 1987, in Westlake, 5 Ohio, was drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles in the 2011 National Football League (NFL) Draft to play as a center; and 6 7 WHEREAS, Jason Kelce played a total of 193 games over 13 seasons for the Philadelphia Eagles, consecutively starting in 8 9 156 of those games, was named an All-Pro player six times and 10 was selected as a Pro Bowl player seven times; and WHEREAS, Fletcher Cox, born December 13, 1990, in Yazoo City, 11 12 Mississippi, was drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles in the 2012 13 NFL Draft to play as a defensive tackle; and 14 WHEREAS, Fletcher Cox played a total of 188 games over 12 15 seasons for the Philadelphia Eagles, was named an All-Pro player four times and was selected as a Pro Bowl player six times, 16

1 consecutively; and

2 WHEREAS, Both players were integral to the continued success 3 of the Philadelphia Eagles over the past 13 seasons, and both 4 were instrumental to the team's first Super Bowl victory in 5 Super Bowl LII; and

6 WHEREAS, Jason Kelce and Fletcher Cox have worked with and 7 supported numerous charitable organizations and causes during 8 their time as players for the Philadelphia Eagles, showing their 9 support for the City of Brotherly Love both on and off the 10 field; and

11 WHEREAS, Jason Kelce is the founder of the (Be)Philly 12 Foundation, which supports charities that assist students in 13 Philadelphia public schools, particularly students from 14 historically underserved communities, by providing them with the 15 resources they need to improve their economic and educational 16 outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Fletcher Cox has donated \$100,000 to the Philadelphia Police Foundation to support the equipment needs of the police; and

20 WHEREAS, Both Jason Kelce and Fletcher Cox have ardently supported the Eagles Autism Foundation, helping to raise 21 millions of dollars for the organization, which provides funding 22 23 and resources for the autism research and care community; and 24 WHEREAS, Both Jason Kelce and Fletcher Cox announced in early March 2024 that they were retiring from football after playing 25 26 for the Philadelphia Eagles for the entirety of their respective 27 careers; and

28 WHEREAS, During their time with the Philadelphia Eagles, both 29 men have continually shown through their words, actions and 30 charitable deeds what it means to be a Philadelphian; and

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1 WHEREAS, While their sports careers may be over, their 2 passion and love for Philadelphia will surely continue to 3 inspire current and future generations of Pennsylvanians; 4 therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
November 5, 2024, as Jason Kelce's birthday, and December 13,
2024, as Fletcher Cox's birthday; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor their
careers as former players for the Philadelphia Eagles.