

House Resolution 395

By: Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Hugley of the 136th, Stephenson of the 90th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, and Smith of the 125th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Edward Earl Reed, Jr., and inviting him to appear before the House of
2 Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Edward Earl Reed, Jr., is an accomplished National Football League star,
4 humanitarian, and crusader for the anti-bullying movement; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Reed was born on September 11, 1978, and attended Destrehan High
6 School in Destrehan, Louisiana, where he was an all-state selection at defensive back; and

7 WHEREAS, he played college football for the University of Miami, where he was a
8 two-time All-American; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Reed, who plays free safety, was drafted by the Baltimore Ravens in the
10 2002 NFL Draft and has played his entire professional career for the Ravens, during which
11 he has been selected to nine Pro Bowls, received the 2004 NFL Defensive Player of the Year
12 award, and has the NFL record for the two longest interception returns as well as the all-time
13 NFL record for interception return yards; and

14 WHEREAS, he is considered one of the most dominant safeties currently playing in the NFL,
15 and his athletic might has earned him the unofficial title of the "ball hawk"; and

16 WHEREAS, off the field Mr. Reed is head of the Ed Reed Foundation, an organization that
17 is aimed at improving and expanding the lives of our nation's youth by focusing on children
18 of lesser means who just need an opportunity to realize their full potential; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Reed is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable
20 reputation for integrity, fairness, and kindness, and is it abundantly fitting and proper that the
21 outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable individual be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend Mr. Edward Earl Reed, Jr., on his accomplishments and
24 service and invite him to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time
25 designated by the Speaker of the House.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Edward Earl Reed, Jr.