

By: Representative Paden

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING CHRISTONE
2 "KINGFISH" INGRAM UPON WINNING HIS FIRST GRAMMY FOR BEST
3 CONTEMPORARY BLUES ALBUM FOR 662 AT THE 64TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS.

4 WHEREAS, rising star blues guitarist, songwriter and vocalist
5 from Clarksdale, Mississippi, Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, won his
6 first-ever career Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Blues Album
7 for his sophomore release, 662, at the 64th Annual Grammy Awards
8 in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Sunday, April 3, 2022; and

9 WHEREAS, at 23 years of age, "Kingfish" has been embraced by
10 the media, which has hailed him for his incendiary guitar playing,
11 soulful vocals and memorable songwriting, including *Rolling Stone*
12 *Magazine*, which declared him as, "One of the most exciting young
13 guitarists in years, with a sound that encompasses B.B. King, Jimi
14 Hendrix and Prince"; and

15 WHEREAS, having previously received a 2019 Grammy Award
16 nomination for his debut album *Kingfish*, Ingram, who just
17 completed the first half of his nationwide *662 Juke Joint Live*
18 tour, which included his debut at New York's famed Apollo Theater,



19 noted that the "wow moment" of his unexpected Grammy win was for
20 his late mother, Princess Pride, and for the great State of
21 Mississippi; and

22 WHEREAS, making its world debut on XM/Sirius Radio's B.B.
23 King's Bluesville, 662 was the most-played record on blues radio
24 during 2021 according to Living Blues' annual Radio Airplay Chart;
25 and

26 WHEREAS, one who crafts solos that reflect a mind as quick as
27 his fingers - each note sounds right, each string-bend and
28 grunge-flecked wail appropriate in its place, Ingram's singing is
29 birthed within his soulful and resonant voice, which showcases his
30 musical artistry as a lyric craftsman of depth and substance; and

31 WHEREAS, irrefutably destined for an incredibly bright future
32 of superstardom, Ingram, whose singing and playing is well beyond
33 his years, performed at the massive Byron Bay Bluesfest in
34 Australia, and is scheduled to travel to the United Kingdom and
35 Europe, with dates in England, Scotland, the Netherlands, France
36 and Italy in June and July; and

37 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
38 acknowledge the success of such remarkable musical talents as
39 "Kingfish," whose reimagined expansive interpretation of the blues
40 has garnered him much acclaim and solidifies the fact that
41 Mississippi remains the birthplace of America's music:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
43 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby



44 commend and congratulate Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, upon winning
45 his first-ever career Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Blues
46 Album at the 64th Annual Grammy Awards, and extend most sincere
47 wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
49 furnished to Mr. Christone "Kingfish" Ingram and to the members of
50 the Capitol Press Corps.

