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Senate Commemoration 812

Introduced by: **Senators** Schoenfish, Crabtree, Deibert, Perry, Peterson (Sue), and Reed and **Representatives** Emery, Greenfield, Jordan, Muckey, Uhre-Balk, Van Diepen, and Weisgram

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring Terry Ree, for his service to the state**
 2 **of South Dakota as an entertainer through the comedy-musical duo Williams**
 3 **and Ree.**

4 WHEREAS, Terry Ree was born in Huron, raised in Pierre, and was a member of the Crow
 5 Creek Sioux Tribe; and

6 WHEREAS, Terry attended Black Hills State College, where he teamed up with fellow
 7 student Bruce Williams to form the comedy-musical duo Williams and Ree; and

8 WHEREAS, Terry, with Bruce Williams, brought laughter to an international audience
 9 through live performances and television programming over the comedy duo's career of more
 10 than fifty-five years; and

11 WHEREAS, Terry, as part of Williams and Ree, created the film, Williams and Ree: The
 12 Movie, which highlighted the excitement of an Interstate 90 road trip through South Dakota;
 13 and

14 WHEREAS, Terry Ree used humor to bridge cultures in South Dakota and beyond;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundredth Legislature of the State
 16 of South Dakota, that Terry Ree has made a positive difference in the lives of many South
 17 Dakotans through his exemplary work as an entertainer through the comedy-musical duo
 18 Williams and Ree.