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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

10 To recognize Robert Griffin III of the Washington Redskins for winning The Associated Press
11 2012 NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year award.

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13 WHEREAS, in 2011, Robert Griffin III won the 77th Heisman Memorial Trophy and
14 became the first player in Baylor history to win the Heisman Trophy.

15 WHEREAS, he was selected by the Washington Redskins (“Redskins”) with the second
16 overall pick of the 2012 National Football League (“NFL”) draft.

17 WHEREAS, on September 12, 2012, the NFL named Robert Griffin III the *NFC*
18 *Offensive Player of the Week* for his performance in the Washington Redskins’ 40-32 win over
19 the New Orleans Saints, making Griffin the first rookie quarterback to win such an award for his
20 debut game.

21 WHEREAS, on October 14, 2012, Robert Griffin III’s 76-yard touchdown run against the
22 Minnesota Vikings was the longest by a quarterback in Redskins’ history, the longest by a
23 quarterback in the NFL since 1996, the longest run for any Redskins since 2009, and tied for the
24 third-longest touchdown run in team history.

1 WHEREAS, on November 14, 2012, Robert Griffin III was voted by his teammates as
2 offensive co-captain.

3 WHEREAS, Robert Griffin III was named the NFL's Rookie of the Month for September
4 and November.

5 WHEREAS, on December 3, 2012, Robert Griffin III broke the NFL's rookie record for
6 rushing yards by a quarterback in a season, previously set at 706 yards by Cam Newton.

7 WHEREAS, his brilliant play helped lead the Redskins into the playoffs and capture their
8 first NFC East title since 1999.

9 WHEREAS, he finished the season with 3,200 passing yards, 20 passing touchdowns,
10 815 rushing yards and 7 rushing touchdowns, and he also set NFL rookie quarterback records for
11 passer rating (102.4), percentage of passes intercepted (1.3) and rushing yards (815).

12 WHEREAS, on December 26, 2012, Robert Griffin III was named to the NFL Pro Bowl
13 roster; and

14 WHEREAS, Robert Griffin III became the first player in Redskins' franchise history to
15 be named *The Associated Press NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year* since Mike Thomas won the
16 award in 1975.

17 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this
18 resolution may be cited as the "Robert Griffin III NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year Ceremonial
19 Recognition Resolution of 2013".

20 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Robert Griffin III
21 and his family for their commitment to the Washington Redskins and to the District of Columbia.

22 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in
23 the District of Columbia Register.