

2019 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 257

BY SENATOR ALARIO

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Sharon Work upon her retirement and for more than 45 years of dedicated service to the state, particularly the Louisiana Senate.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Sharon Work, administrative secretary in the office of the Senate President,  
3 on a long and distinguished career and exemplary public service to the state of  
4 Louisiana upon the occasion of her richly deserved retirement.

5 WHEREAS, it is with deep appreciation that the Senate of the Legislature of  
6 Louisiana commends Sharon Work for forty-five years of exceptional service to the state of  
7 Louisiana including thirty-six years to the Senate; and

8 WHEREAS, Sharon graduated from Istrouma High School in Baton Rouge in 1968,  
9 and earned a bachelor's degree in business education from Louisiana State University in  
10 1972; and

11 WHEREAS, Sharon embarked on her public service career with employment in the  
12 state Department of Education from 1972 to 1975, and joined the Department of Justice in  
13 1987 and 1988 as legal secretary for the chief of the Environmental Enforcement Section,  
14 after being employed as an administrative assistant in the United States Department of  
15 Commerce at the United States Pavillion at the Louisiana World Exposition from 1983 to  
16 1985; and

17 WHEREAS, Sharon began her service in the Louisiana Legislature with the  
18 Legislative Council from 1975 to 1981, serving as secretary to the House Committee on

1 Commerce, followed by work with the House of Representatives in the summer of 1983 as  
2 an administrative aide in the Office of the Speaker, before joining the Senate staff in  
3 April 1988; and

4 WHEREAS, her assignments with the Senate, prior to moving to the President's  
5 office, included secretarial duties with the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs,  
6 the ACTION Subcommittee on Louisiana in a Global Economy, and the Select Committee  
7 on Crime and Drugs; and

8 WHEREAS, Sharon has served in the President's Office under Senators Randy  
9 Ewing, John J. Hainkel Jr., Donald E. "Don" Hines, Joel Chaisson, and John A. Alario Jr.;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, during her tenure, Sharon has always been loyal and dedicated, willing  
12 to go the extra mile and to share her knowledge and expertise with others, and she has  
13 conducted herself in the most cordial, concise, and compassionate manner possible and  
14 presented a kind demeanor in every situation; and

15 WHEREAS, Sharon has always focused on the task at hand; she is a planner who  
16 accounts for all the minute details and logistics of a committee meeting or other  
17 circumstance that demand her undivided attention; and

18 WHEREAS, while in the President's office, her many tasks included greeting visitors,  
19 assisting in meeting schedules, handling correspondence, and coordinating events; and

20 WHEREAS, Sharon has been the "hostess with the mostest" at hundreds of Senate  
21 events hosted in the President's apartment over the decades; and

22 WHEREAS, she is the mother of one daughter, Adrian, and three grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, Sharon is a globetrotter and always up for a trip, having visited  
24 numerous countries; and

25 WHEREAS, after working four plus decades for the state government, Sharon  
26 intends to enjoy each day of her retirement to its fullest with her family and traveling the  
27 world; and

28 WHEREAS, it is hoped by legislators, staff members, and friends, both past and  
29 present, who have shared a substantial portion of their lives with Sharon at the state capitol,  
30 that she will fondly recall the memories of longtime friendships, past legislative sessions,

1 numerous sine dies, the rarified environment of state government, and the personalities over  
2 the years.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
4 does hereby commend Sharon Work upon more than forty-five years of extraordinary public  
5 service and congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does  
7 hereby offer congratulations to Sharon on her retirement and extend best wishes for health  
8 and happiness in all her future endeavors.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
10 Sharon Work.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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Commends Sharon Work upon her more than 45 years of extraordinary public service and  
congratulates her on the occasion of her retirement from the Senate.