

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32

BY SENATORS CORTEZ AND BOUDREAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Donna Lemaire on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, for the past forty-six years, Donna Lemaire has served the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, Donna Lemaire is the daughter of Eugene Lemaire and Mildred Jabusch Lemaire; and

WHEREAS, Donna has four brothers, eleven nieces and nephews, and fourteen great-nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Donna earned a Bachelor of Science degree from McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana, and a Master of Science from Baylor University in Waco, Texas; and

WHEREAS, for six years Donna taught at Our Lady of Fatima High School until 1982 when the school merged with Cathedral-Carmel High School to become St. Thomas More Catholic High School; and

WHEREAS, Donna Lemaire continued her educational career at St. Thomas More Catholic High School for an additional nineteen years filling roles such as teacher, campus minister, and administrator; and

WHEREAS, Donna was invited to serve on the St. Pius Elementary School search committee, and after all the applicants were interviewed, the committee decided to offer her the position of principal; and

WHEREAS, in July 2001, Donna Lemaire joined the administration of St. Pius Elementary School as the school principal and she has remained the principal for twenty-one years; and

WHEREAS, Donna has been passionate about understanding where learning gaps occur and how to keep creativity, connection, and passion in education; and

WHEREAS, Donna focused on taking whatever steps were necessary to ensure that each child grew in their learning experiences and realized their own innate gifts and how they can use them in service to others; and

WHEREAS, a source of joy for Donna has been the relationship-building at each school where she has worked and, through the years, she has formed lasting friendships with faculty and caring parents, and has had the joyful experience of seeing new generations of families she has taught during her forty-six-year career in education.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Donna Lemaire on the occasion of her retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Donna Lemaire.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES