

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY SENATOR BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To commend XS Martial Arts Dojo and Save One Now for presenting the Tenth Annual Crescent City Kumite.

WHEREAS, XS Martial Arts Dojo enhances positive leadership, crime prevention/intervention, life skills, bully awareness/prevention, self-esteem, character building, and discipline for youth and adults by offering martial arts training through after school programming, all day camps, physical education programs in schools, and a Leadership Training Academy for military veterans and former athletes; and

WHEREAS, Master Jason B. Horne is the founder and master instructor of the MA-KIBO-KARATE-DO system of XS Martial Arts Dojo (XS MAD); and

WHEREAS, he received his associate's degree from Delgado Community College and served in the United States military for twenty-one years; and

WHEREAS, Master Horne has dedicated over twenty-five years of his life to martial arts, holds a 6th-degree black belt in various styles, and has been inducted into the Martial Arts World Hall of Fame twice (2008 and 2010) for his humanitarian work; and

WHEREAS, his philanthropic efforts have been consistent, as he is also the founder and executive director of S.O.N. (Save One Now), a nonprofit organization that focuses on the families and youth of the metropolitan New Orleans area; and

WHEREAS, S.O.N. reinforces XS MAD's anticrime efforts in schools and communities throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, Master Horne graduated from the first cohort of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses initiative, and has impacted over 1,000 students; and

WHEREAS, he is dedicated to keeping kids off the street and giving them something constructive to do with their time, he believes that by instilling these principles in all youth, it will produce positive and respectable individuals; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2017, XS Martial Arts Dojo and Save One Now will present the Tenth Annual Crescent City Kumite.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend XS Martial Arts Dojo and Save One Now.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Jason B. Horne.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE