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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 183

BY SENATOR ALARIO

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Robert "Andre" Ardeneaux of the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office on being the recipient of the 2017 Deputy of the Year Award presented by the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Robert "Andre" Ardeneaux of the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office on
3	being the recipient of the 2017 Deputy of the Year Award presented by the Louisiana
4	Sheriffs' Association.
5	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association presents the Deputy of the Year
6	Award to recognize a deputy sheriff who has shown unusual initiative and imagination in
7	the performance of his/her duty, and recognizes activities that improve the quality of life in
8	their community; and
9	WHEREAS, Deputy Andre Ardeneaux began employment with the St. Tammany
10	Parish Sheriff's Office in 2007; and
11	WHEREAS, during his tenure, he has served as a model employee who prides
12	himself on his professionalism, personality, and passion for his career in law enforcement;
13	and
14	WHEREAS, Deputy Ardeneaux exemplified bravery and selflessness during several
15	situations that few law enforcement officers will ever encounter in their career; and
16	WHEREAS, in March 2016, while on approved vacation leave, Deputy Ardeneaux
17	assisted in evacuations during unexpected flooding in Covington, Louisiana; and
18	WHEREAS, during these rescue missions, Deputy Ardeneaux suffered torn

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ligaments in his shoulder which required surgery; and

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2	WHEREAS, shortly after Deputy Ardeneaux's recovery from this injury he decided
3	to participate in an organ donor matching program; and
4	WHEREAS, through a rare twist of fate, Deputy Ardeneaux was a perfect match for
5	a law enforcement officer in a neighboring parish, Sergeant Jason Triche; and
6	WHEREAS, Sergeant Triche was the surviving victim of a law enforcement officer
7	ambush shooting in St. John the Baptist Parish, and he was in dire need of a kidney; and
8	WHEREAS, Deputy Ardeneaux donated his kidney and provided a fellow law
9	enforcement officer the opportunity to live a normal life with his family and the ability to
10	return to his career in law enforcement.
11	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
12	does hereby commend and congratulate Deputy Robert "Andre" Ardeneaux on being the
13	recipient of the 2017 Deputy of the Year Award from the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Deputy Robert "Andre" Ardeneaux.

does hereby recognize his selfless acts both during the flood and through kidney donation;

does hereby recognize and record for posterity his tireless dedication and service to the

citizens of St. Tammany Parish and the state of Louisiana; and does hereby extend to him

best wishes for continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

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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