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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 218

BY REPRESENTATIVE PIERRE

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Marie Charmaine Ford on her retirement as head coach of the Northside High School volleyball team

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend Marie Charmaine Ford for her outstanding leadership as head coach of
3	Northside High School's volleyball team and to commend her upon her retirement.
4	WHEREAS, Coach Ford has had a successful coaching career with nineteen years
5	as the head volleyball coach and seventeen years as the assistant softball coach at Northside
6	High School in Lafayette, Louisiana, and a total of twenty-seven years coaching at the high
7	school and middle school levels; and
8	WHEREAS, Coach Ford has been an adaptive physical education teacher in the
9	Lafayette Parish School system for nearly three decades; and
10	WHEREAS, for the past nineteen years, Coach Ford has been one of Louisiana's top
11	high school volleyball coaches; she led the Northside Vikings volleyball team to the playoffs
12	for seventeen seasons, including three district playoff appearances, five district third-place
13	finishes, four district runner-up finishes, one district championship, two regional finalist
14	finishes, and two quarter-final appearances; and
15	WHEREAS, a leader of the highest caliber, Coach Ford is a positive force who
16	motivates, nurtures, and molds young athletes, many from economically disadvantaged
17	households, into standout college athletes who go on to become productive citizens; and
18	WHEREAS, Coach Ford is retiring after completing the 2017-2018 school year; after
19	which, she looks forward to gardening, remodeling her home, spending time with family,
20	and traveling; and

1 WHEREAS, as she leaves Northside High School after an extremely productive and 2 successful career, Marie Charmaine Ford merits a special measure of commendation for her 3 unparalleled legacy of excellence in coaching. 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Marie Charmaine Ford for her outstanding 6 leadership as the head coach of Northside High School's volleyball team and to commend her upon her retirement; does hereby recognize her many years of service to the Lafayette 7 8 Parish School System; does hereby express to her sincere appreciation for her exemplary 9 leadership and for the honor that she has brought to Northside High School, to the city of 10 Lafayette, and to the state of Louisiana; and does hereby extend to her every good wish for 11 success and happiness in all of her future endeavors. 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 13 to Marie Charmaine Ford.

## **DIGEST**

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