

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14

BY SENATOR JOHN SMITH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Jerry C. Waller on being sworn in as the chief of police of Anacoco, La.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Jerry C. Waller on being sworn in as the chief of police of Anacoco,
3 Louisiana.

4 WHEREAS, Jerry C. Waller was sworn in as the chief of police of Anacoco,
5 Louisiana, on May 8, 2018; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Waller was victorious in the runoff election on April 28, 2018,
7 receiving just over sixty-seven percent of the vote; and

8 WHEREAS, originally from Jacksonville, Florida, Chief Waller moved to Vernon
9 Parish while stationed at Fort Polk; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1990, he was transferred to Korea and upon his return to the United
11 States, relocated his family to Anacoco, Louisiana; and

12 WHEREAS, during active duty, he was involved in local law enforcement as a
13 reserve officer with the Leesville Police Department from 1987 through 1991; and

14 WHEREAS, in 1992, Chief Waller retired from the United States Army at the age
15 of thirty-seven with twenty years of service; and

16 WHEREAS, he was encouraged to run for the chief of police position in Anacoco
17 by the chief of police at that time, Jack Martin; and

18 WHEREAS, Chief Waller won that election and served in that position from 1993

1 through July 1999; and

2 WHEREAS, he left Anacoco for several years to care for his mother and stepfather
3 in Florida, where he worked in the healthcare industry, but eventually returned to Anacoco
4 and to law enforcement; and

5 WHEREAS, for the past two years, Chief Waller worked at the Vernon Parish
6 Sheriff's Office as a jailer and shift supervisor and resigned in order to run for the chief of
7 police position in Anacoco; and

8 WHEREAS, as Anacoco's police chief once again, Chief Waller's promise to the
9 community is that he will always be available when needed; and

10 WHEREAS, one of his goals is to increase the Anacoco police presence during the
11 open and close of businesses and at each church in the mornings, and he hopes to offer
12 support to school resource officers as well; and

13 WHEREAS, Chief Waller and his wife, Eva, have six grown children and twenty
14 grandchildren; and

15 WHEREAS, Chief Jerry C. Waller, one of Louisiana's finest sons, is a deeply
16 beloved member of the Anacoco community who has earned the respect and admiration of
17 the countless citizens whose lives he has touched.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
19 does hereby commend Chief Jerry C. Waller on his election and swearing in as chief of
20 police of Anacoco, Louisiana, and for his service to the United States as a member of the
21 armed forces, does hereby express to him enduring appreciation for his distinguished service
22 to the citizens of Vernon Parish, and does hereby extend to him best wishes for continued
23 success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Chief
25 Jerry C. Waller.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Nancy Vicknair.

DIGEST

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