



1 policy, technology, operations, and education; and

2 WHEREAS, previous to her election to the police jury, Mrs. Bennett acted as  
3 president of the Bossier Chamber of Commerce; and

4 WHEREAS, while on the Board of Directors of Coordinating and Development  
5 Corporation, Wanda Bennett monitored the availability of local public services and the  
6 expansion of economic opportunity developments throughout the Ark-La-Tex; and

7 WHEREAS, Wanda Bennett has been a mentor and role model for newly elected  
8 members of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, and has always provided her seasoned guidance  
9 to novice jurors; and

10 WHEREAS, born in Marshall, Texas, and reared in north Louisiana, Wanda  
11 graduated from Bossier High School and continued her educational pursuits by completing  
12 professional studies at Bossier Community College, Louisiana State University-Shreveport,  
13 and Centenary College of Louisiana; and

14 WHEREAS, Wanda is well respected among her peers for that "can do" attitude, in  
15 her lengthy career, she has applied years of institutional knowledge, skill, and expertise to  
16 improve specific issues that involve parish government; and

17 WHEREAS, she has been honored for her many accomplishments with receipt of the  
18 Athena Leadership Award from the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and by  
19 induction into the Bossier High School Hall of Fame; and

20 WHEREAS, as a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church of Bossier  
21 City, Wanda is also an active member of the church choir; and

22 WHEREAS, she was married to her late husband, Ernest "Bo" Bennett until his  
23 passing in 2014, and their union has been blessed with three children, five grandchildren,  
24 five great-grandchildren, and a host of extended family and friends, all of whom she holds  
25 dear to her heart; and

26 WHEREAS, as an enthusiastic pacesetter, Wanda Bennett exemplifies all the finest  
27 qualities of a proficient parochial official who continuously pursues the best interests of  
28 those she serves.

29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
30 commend Bossier Parish Police Juror Wanda Bennett for her invaluable public service to the

