

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 308

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS, ABRAHAM, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, AMEDEE, ANDERS, ARMES, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAGNERIS, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, BISHOP, BOUIE, BOURRIAQUE, BRASS, CHAD BROWN, TERRY BROWN, CARMODY, CARPENTER, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, STEVE CARTER, CHANEY, CONNICK, COUSSAN, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DUBUISSON, DUPLESSIS, DWIGHT, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FALCONER, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GISCLAIR, GLOVER, GUINN, JIMMY HARRIS, LANCE HARRIS, HENRY, HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HOFFMANN, HOLLIS, HORTON, HOWARD, HUVAL, IVEY, JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, ROBERT JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, LACOMBE, NANCY LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LEBAS, LEGER, LEOPOLD, LYONS, MACK, MAGEE, MARCELLE, MARINO, MCFARLAND, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, DUSTIN MILLER, GREGORY MILLER, MOORE, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, MOSS, MUSCARELLO, NORTON, PEARSON, PIERRE, POPE, PUGH, PYLANT, RICHARD, SCHEXNAYDER, SEABAUGH, SIMON, SMITH, STAGNI, STEFANSKI, STOKES, TALBOT, THOMAS, TURNER, WHITE, WRIGHT, AND ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Ruby Johnson upon her retirement as assistant clerk and journal clerk of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana and to express appreciation for her exemplary service during more than thirty-two years of employment.

WHEREAS, Ruby Johnson, who is affectionately called "Ms. Ruby" by many, grew up in Mississippi and earned a bachelor's degree from Jackson State University; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 1987, Ms. Ruby began her long and productive career with the Louisiana House of Representatives as a session desk clerk; she joined the full time staff in the fall of that year; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Johnson was secretary to the clerk of the House, Alfred W. "Butch" Speer, and her dedication to duty and excellent performance of assigned tasks fostered her rise in responsibility to the position of journal clerk and assistant clerk; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Johnson has worked under eight speakers of the House of Representatives: Representatives Dimos, Alario, Downer, DeWitt, Salter, Tucker, Kleckley, and Barras; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Johnson has been a longstanding and active member of the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; having attended numerous Society

professional development seminars; having served as an active member on many of the Society's committees; and having served as chair and vice chair of many of those same committees; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Johnson is married to the love of her life, Larry Johnson, and is the mother of two beautiful children and grandmother of three adoring grandchildren; over three decades, Ms. Ruby achieved a successful life-work balance between motherhood and her duties at the state capitol; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Ruby Johnson for more than thirty years of excellence in public service, and it is fitting to acknowledge her contributions to the state of Louisiana through her work at the House of Representatives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ruby Johnson for more than thirty-two years of dedicated and effective public service upon her retirement as assistant clerk and journal clerk of the Louisiana House of Representatives; does hereby express heartfelt and enduring appreciation for the pride and honor she brings to the House, to the legislature, and to the state of Louisiana; and does hereby extend best wishes to Ms. Ruby for continued happiness as she begins the next chapter of her life and embarks on new endeavors and adventures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ruby Johnson.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES