

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 24

BY SENATOR CATHEY

A RESOLUTION

To commend William Kinnison "Kinny" Haddox on his induction into the Louisiana Chapter of the Legends of the Outdoors National Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, William Kinnison "Kinny" Haddox has spent over forty-five years as a tireless advocate for fishing throughout northeast Louisiana's bountiful lakes, rivers, and bayous and hunting throughout the delta and piney woods region of our state; and

WHEREAS, he has published countless articles with credits in local, state, and national newspapers and magazines including Monroe's *The News-Star*, *Louisiana Sportsman*, *Game & Fish*, *Outdoor Life*, *BASSMaster*, and many, many more; and

WHEREAS, throughout his public relations career with International Paper, Kinny Haddox was instrumental in securing thousands of acres for public use through involvement in projects like the development of Black Bayou Wildlife Refuge and Bussey Brake; and

WHEREAS, he continues to provide daily tips on fishing, hunting, and general goings-on of Louisiana outdoors as publisher of LakeDarbonneLife.com; and

WHEREAS, Haddox has been a longtime member of the Louisiana Outdoor Writers Association, including past service as president, and ten years as the outdoor editor of Monroe's *The News-Star*; and

WHEREAS, he has encouraged generations of youth to get involved with fishing and hunting through various tournaments including the launch of the inaugural High School Bass Tournament on Lake D'Arbonne; and

WHEREAS, nearly forty years ago Kinny Haddox worked with officials from Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries to initiate the first local National Hunting and Fishing Day in Monroe; an event that continues to draw large crowds; and

WHEREAS, the good people of northeastern Louisiana for years have enjoyed the secret blend of spices in the occasionally world-famous Mr. Kinny's homemade game seasoning and the wit and colorful wisdom that typically accompanies dining with Haddox when Mr. Kinny's is involved; and

WHEREAS, his contributions to the outdoors would not be as purposeful without acknowledging his service to the Creator of the outdoors as a fisher of men through his decades of volunteer service teaching youth and adult Sunday School and impacting the lives of generations of Louisianians including his wife, children, and five grandchildren.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend William Kinnison "Kinny" Haddox upon his induction into the Louisiana Chapter of the Legends of the Outdoors National Hall of Fame.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to William Kinnison "Kinny" Haddox.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE