

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 86

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIGUEZ, BEAULLIEU, HUVAL, AND ST. BLANC AND
SENATORS BOUDREAUX, KLEINPETER, AND FRED MILLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend St. Martin Parish Sheriff Becket Breaux on his receipt of new certification from the Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy, for leading the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office to receive accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, and for his commitment to continuous improvement and adaptation to the changing needs of the community.

WHEREAS, Sheriff Becket Breaux is a graduate of St. Martinville Senior High School; he holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Louisiana State University at Alexandria and completed a master's degree in business administration from Louisiana State University in Shreveport in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Breaux has an extensive career in law enforcement that spans more than three decades; he began as an officer of the Parks Police Department, and he spent much of his professional career serving with the Louisiana State Police; he was elected sheriff of St. Martin Parish on October 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Breaux has obtained numerous specialized training certifications throughout his distinguished law enforcement career, and as a testament to his expertise and dedication, he is a proud graduate of the prestigious Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy in Quantico, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Breaux has demonstrated a commitment to modernizing law enforcement practices and policies to better align with the evolving needs of the St. Martin Parish community; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Sheriff Breaux announced, on November 19, 2022, that the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office was awarded its accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) at the CALEA 2022 Fall Conference in St. Louis, Missouri; the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office is one of only five

sheriff's offices in Louisiana with CALEA accreditation; it is also one of the ninety-five sheriff's offices, from among more than three thousand eight hundred nationwide, that has this accreditation; and

WHEREAS, CALEA accreditation is a significant achievement that demonstrates the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office's commitment to upholding professional standards and maintaining transparency with the public, despite not being mandatory; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Breaux has led the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office in addressing specific challenges, including combating drug trafficking and criminal activity within the parish, and has actively sought opportunities for growth and development, while striving to ensure the safety and well-being of the citizens of St. Martin Parish; and

WHEREAS, under Sheriff Breaux's leadership, the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office has achieved notable successes, such as reduced crime rates, increased trust in law enforcement, and significant efforts to keep drugs and criminals out of the parish, all in the pursuit of the safety and security of the citizens of St. Martin Parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend St. Martin Parish Sheriff Becket Breaux on his receipt of new certification from the Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy, for leading the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office to receive accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, and for his commitment to continuous improvement, adaptation, and the protection of his community and state and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue to prosper and remain safe as he maintains the safety and security of St. Martin Parish.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE