

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 171

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Karl Carpenter on the occasion of his retirement as principal of Pineville High School.

WHEREAS, Dr. Karl Carpenter earned a bachelor's degree in music education from Northwestern State University in 1979; he began his career in education as a band director at Oberlin High School and worked at Winnfield Senior High School for the 1982 school year; he accepted the band director role at Tioga High School in 1983 and transformed the band into one of the largest and most decorated bands in central Louisiana, earning regional, state, and national awards; and

WHEREAS, after two decades at Tioga, Dr. Carpenter accepted the role of assistant principal at Carter C. Raymond Junior High School in LeCompte and served from 2003 until 2007; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carpenter has served with distinction as the principal of Pineville High School since 2007, and during his eighteen-year tenure, he has awarded nearly four thousand five hundred diplomas to graduating seniors; and

WHEREAS, beyond his role as principal, Dr. Carpenter served on the board of directors of the Louisiana Music Educators Association (LMEA) for two decades; he served LMEA in numerous capacities including as president, band division chairman, orchestra division chairman, and district director, and his work reflects his sincere commitment to advancing music education in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carpenter was inducted into the Hall of Distinguished Educators at Northwestern State University to honor his contributions to student development, excellence in music education, and impactful leadership in central Louisiana; he is truly worthy of the highest recognition for his achievements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Dr. Karl Carpenter on the occasion of his retirement as principal of Pineville High School and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for his many contributions as an exceptional educator.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES