

2025 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 143

BY SENATOR STINE

COMMENDATIONS. To commend and congratulate Reverend Francis "Boo" Creveling Kay upon the occasion of her retirement.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate Reverend Francis "Boo" Creveling Kay upon the occasion
3 of her retirement after fifty-five years of faithful service to Bishop Noland Episcopal
4 Day School and the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, and to express
5 enduring gratitude for her outstanding contributions to education, faith, and the
6 community.

7 WHEREAS, Rev. Francis "Boo" Kay began her exceptional career in 1970 at Bishop
8 Noland Episcopal Day School (EDS) in Lake Charles, Louisiana, dedicating fifty-five years
9 to nurturing and educating generations of students; and

10 WHEREAS, affectionately known as "Boo" a childhood nickname given by her
11 father that would become beloved by all who know her, Rev. Kay exemplifies the rare blend
12 of educator, leader, mentor, and spiritual guide; and

13 WHEREAS, Rev. Kay has served the school in numerous capacities, beginning as
14 a teacher, later becoming principal in 1986, and ultimately serving as both a spiritual and
15 educational leader in her dual role as an Episcopal priest and educator; and

16 WHEREAS, during her tenure, she shepherded the school through extraordinary
17 growth, including the expansion to a high school and the establishment of the EDS South
18 campus on donated and acquired land at Graywood; and

1 WHEREAS, inspired by a deep spiritual calling, Rev. Kay was ordained a deacon
2 in 2000, and later a priest in the Episcopal Church on June 22, 2014, embodying her lifelong
3 dedication to faith, education, and community service; and

4 WHEREAS, under her leadership, Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School remained
5 steadfast in its mission of academic excellence within a Christian environment, touching the
6 lives of countless students and families in Southwest Louisiana; and

7 WHEREAS, a devoted mother to Denis, Donald, and Brian, and grandmother and
8 great-grandmother to a growing family, Rev. Kay has always exemplified the values of love,
9 humility, and service; and

10 WHEREAS, officially retiring from EDS on June 30, 2025, after an unparalleled
11 career of over half a century, Reverend Kay will continue to serve her faith and community
12 as a rotating priest at Good Shepherd and other Episcopal congregations; and

13 WHEREAS, her life and legacy are best summed up by the words of Matthew 25:21:
14 "Well done, my good and faithful servant," as her work has forever enriched the community
15 and will continue to inspire future generations.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
17 does hereby commend and congratulate Reverend Francis "Boo" Creveling Kay on the
18 occasion of her retirement and does acknowledge and celebrate her profound legacy of
19 leadership, faith, and service, and extend to her the heartfelt gratitude and best wishes of the
20 people of Louisiana.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted
22 Reverend Francis "Boo" Kay.

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of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services.
The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof
or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Commends and congratulates Rev. Francis "Boo" Creveling Kay on the occasion of her retirement, recognize and celebrate her profound legacy of leadership, faith, and service, and extend to her the heartfelt gratitude and best wishes of the people of Louisiana.