

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 150

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Shreveport Fire Department on being awarded the American Heart Association's 2026 Mission: Lifeline EMS - Gold Achievement Award.

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline EMS program focuses on quality of life care and outcomes for pre-hospital stroke, heart attack, and cardiac arrest patients by connecting all care components into a seamlessly integrated care system; the key tenets of these systems of care reinforce evidence-based guidelines and measure performance, identify gaps, and engage in quality improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Mission: Lifeline EMS recognition program is designed to showcase pre-hospital agencies across the nation for their excellence in heart attack and stroke care; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport Fire Department has more than five hundred firefighters who are certified as an EMT; and

WHEREAS, some months there are as many as fifty cardiac arrests within the city's jurisdictional boundaries; the Shreveport Fire Department managed to revive 60% of its cardiac arrest patients in one month; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport Fire Department fields nearly fifty thousand calls for service each year, and its response time averages around three minutes; the department uses evidence-based diagnosis in the field to coordinate its care with hospitals; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport Fire Department provides national health standards for all of its parish members; the department's firefighters and paramedics are trained to recognize symptoms quickly, perform 12-lead EKGs in the field, and activate hospital stroke or cardiac teams before the patient arrives; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport Fire Department has received the 2026 Mission: Lifeline EMS - Gold Achievement Award from the American Heart Association for the second year in a row, and the department and its members are most deserving of the highest recognition for their commitment to providing the highest level of pre-hospital cardiac arrest and stroke care.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Shreveport Fire Department on being awarded the American Heart Association's 2026 Mission: Lifeline EMS - Gold Achievement Award and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the department's lifesaving efforts, which exceed expectations set by national standards.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES