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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 135

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

A RESOLUTION

To commend Charles Emile "Peppi" Bruneau, Jr., for his decades of service as a Louisiana legislator and Lakeview civic leader.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Charles Emile "Peppi" Bruneau, Jr., for his outstanding contributions to the city of New Orleans and the state of Louisiana and to commend him for his decades of service as a state legislator and local civic leader; and

WHEREAS, Peppi Bruneau is a respected son of the city of New Orleans who has demonstrated steadfast commitment to the Lakeview neighborhood, Orleans Parish, and the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Peppi served as a distinguished member of the Louisiana House of Representatives from 1976 until his retirement in April 2007 and represented District No. 94 in Orleans Parish; as a member of the House, he authored landmark sunshine laws to open government meetings and records to the public, helped guide the recovery of New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina, served as speaker pro tempore, and chaired the House Republican Delegation; and

WHEREAS, Peppi was recognized as the Legislator of the Year by the Alliance for Good Government in 1978, 1980, 1981, and 1986; he was recognized for his service by the Louisiana Conservative Union in 1981, the National Republican Legislators Association named him Legislator of the Year in 1986, and the Louisiana Civil Service League presented him the Monte M. Lemann Award in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bruneau is appreciated in the Lakeview neighborhood of New Orleans for authoring legislation that established the Lakeview Crime Prevention District, which is Louisiana's first crime prevention district; he made significant contributions to the Hibernian Memorial Park project which memorializes the New Basin Canal in West End Park and the Irish laborers who build the canal; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bruneau is known for his intelligence and wit, which he notably displayed while serving as a member of the House, and he continues to offer his extensive knowledge when called on to assist in making major decisions for the Lakeview community; he is truly deserving of recognition for his outstanding dedication to public service, the Lakeview community, and the Crescent City.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Charles Emile "Peppi" Bruneau, Jr., for his decades of service as a Louisiana legislator and Lakeview civic leader and does hereby extend enduring gratitude for his contributions to the city of New Orleans and the state of Louisiana.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES