

2026 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 101

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. on the occasion of his retirement from the Eighteenth Judicial District Court.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. on the occasion of his retirement from
3 the Eighteenth Judicial District Court and to recognize his distinguished service to
4 the state of Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, the Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. is retiring after twenty-three years
6 of distinguished service as the presiding judge of Division "C" of the Eighteenth Judicial
7 District Court, serving the citizens of three parishes, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West
8 Baton Rouge with integrity, fairness, and dedication; and

9 WHEREAS, Judge Batiste has been on the bench since January 2003, is currently
10 serving as Chief Judge, and has presided over the Iberville Parish Drug Court for fifteen
11 years, demonstrating a deep commitment to justice, accountability, and rehabilitation; and

12 WHEREAS, a proud product of the Southern University School System, Judge
13 Batiste graduated from Southern Lab with honors in 1973, earned his Bachelor of Science
14 in Economics from Southern University and A&M College in 1976, and his Juris Doctor
15 from the Southern University Law Center in 1981 and was admitted to the Louisiana State
16 Bar that same year; and

17 WHEREAS, Judge Batiste was later inducted into the Southern University Law
18 Center's Hall of Fame in recognition of his outstanding contributions and dedicated service

1 to the legal profession, Southern University Law Center, and his community; and

2 WHEREAS, his professional career reflects a lifetime of public service, including
3 honorable service as an officer and lawyer in the United States Navy Judge Advocate
4 General Corps, as assistant public defender in East Baton Rouge Parish, assistant attorney
5 general handling cases for the Department of Environmental Quality, and the first chief
6 administrative officer for Iberville Parish; and

7 WHEREAS, Judge Batiste has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to civic
8 engagement and youth mentorship through initiatives such as Judges in the Classroom in
9 Iberville Parish, inspiring students and strengthening public trust in the judicial system; and

10 WHEREAS, Judge Batiste is married to Barbara Thomas Batiste and they are the
11 proud parents of nine children, whereby his devotion to family further exemplifies the
12 highest ideals of leadership and enriched values.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
14 does hereby commend the Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. on the occasion of his
15 retirement as judge of the Eighteenth Judicial District Court; and records and recognizes his
16 exemplary service to the state of Louisiana; extends to him sincere appreciation for his long,
17 dedicated, and distinguished service; and expresses sincere wishes for health and happiness
18 in all of his future endeavors.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
20 Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
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 the Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. on the occasion of his retirement as judge
of the 18th JDC and to recognize his distinguished service to the state of La.