

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 248

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Michelle Woodfork on her election to the office of sheriff of Orleans Parish

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Michelle Woodfork on her election to the office of sheriff of Orleans Parish.

3 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the House of Representatives of the
4 Legislature of Louisiana recognizes Michelle Woodfork for her outstanding service as a law
5 enforcement professional as she takes office as sheriff of Orleans Parish; and

6 WHEREAS, Sheriff Woodfork is a career police officer who has dedicated her life
7 to the protection and service of the city of New Orleans; her uncle, Warren Woodfork, was
8 the first Black chief of police in New Orleans; and

9 WHEREAS, Sheriff Woodfork previously served as interim superintendent of the
10 New Orleans Police Department, and during her tenure, the department enjoyed an extended
11 period of declines in violent crime; she also served under Orleans Parish District Attorney
12 Jason Williams prior to her election; and

13 WHEREAS, Sheriff Woodfork has pledged to build a culture where jail staff are
14 supported, respected, and equipped to do their jobs with professionalism, pride, and
15 confidence; she is committed to treating parish prisoners with dignity, fairness, and respect;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Sheriff Woodfork aims to develop the Orleans Parish prison facilities
18 into centers for growth, rehabilitation, and education; and

19 WHEREAS, Orleans Parish Sheriff Michelle Woodfork is deserving of recognition
20 for her commitment to serving the citizens of the parish with integrity and leading with
21 accountability.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Michelle Woodfork on her election to the
3 office of sheriff of Orleans Parish; does hereby express appreciation for her leadership as
4 interim superintendent of the New Orleans Police Department; and does hereby extend
5 sincere wishes for continued success as she begins a new chapter in her law enforcement
6 career.

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