

BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, two prominent black leaders at the time, Cube Combs, a progressive activist, and Lou McIntyre, a wealthy philanthropist, gave selflessly and tirelessly of their time, talents, and money to create a high school for the black students of West Carroll Parish, which provided them with a sufficient and adequate education and school facility; and

1 WHEREAS, as a result of Mr. McIntyre furnishing land for the school at a nominal
2 price and Mr. Combs' vision, leadership, and determination for building a new school, the
3 new facility was named Combs-McIntyre High School in their honor; and

4 WHEREAS, the first students to graduate from Combs-McIntyre High School in
5 May 1955 were Frankie D. Nelson, Hattie B. Coleman, Ida Faye Cobb, Auther Fisher,
6 Annette Mare Gordon, Charles Pittman, Albert Brown, Allean Henderson, Ruth Henderson,
7 Earl K. Jackson, Simon Leggart, Irene Ruffin, Norval Randolph, and Willie D. Williams;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Combs-McIntyre High School alumni remember their school fondly as
10 a great place to learn, a happy place to play, a wonderful place to spend time with friends,
11 and a place where love was shared and discipline was enforced; and

12 WHEREAS, State Representative Roy Burrell is a proud alumnus of Combs-
13 McIntyre High School; and

14 WHEREAS, the historical significance of Combs-McIntyre High School will forever
15 remain in the hearts and minds of all who worked at or attended this historic institution, and
16 it is fitting to extend to them best wishes for a joyous, safe, and successful reunion.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby welcome the faculty, staff, and alumni of Combs-
19 McIntyre High School back home to Louisiana, does hereby commemorate the enduring
20 legacy and significant impact that Combs-McIntyre High School made in the Oak Grove
21 community and West Carroll Parish, and does hereby extend full measures of happiness and
22 prosperity to all participants of the 2013 Combs-McIntyre High School Reunion.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
24 to Glenese Tolbert, chair of the Combs-McIntyre High School Reunion Committee.

DIGEST

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Commends Combs-McIntyre High School upon the celebration of its 2013 school reunion.