

BY REPRESENTATIVES BERTHELOT, LAMBERT, PRICE, AND SCHEXNAYDER
AND SENATORS AMEDEE AND BROWN

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Kermit "Hart" Bourque for his more than fifty years of distinguished public
3 service to the citizens of Louisiana.

4 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Kermit "Hart" Bourque for his outstanding
5 accomplishments and contributions during his fifty years of service as clerk of court for
6 Ascension Parish; and

7 WHEREAS, Kermit "Hart" Bourque was born on January 22, 1938, to Germain and
8 Leona Gaudin Bourque; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque graduated from Gonzales High School in 1956 and went
10 on to earn a bachelor of science degree in industrial arts education from Louisiana State
11 University in 1961; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque excelled in athletics; he was a member of the first
13 Lousteau Ford American Legion baseball team and of the legendary Louisiana State
14 University football team that won the national championship in 1958; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque began his public service when he was elected to serve on
16 the Ascension Parish School Board in 1961; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque was elected clerk of court for Ascension Parish in March
18 of 1964, beginning decades of dedicated and productive service in the office, service that
19 continues to this day; and

1 WHEREAS, during the time that Mr. Bourque has served as clerk of court,
2 Ascension Parish has experienced tremendous growth, and it has therefore been necessary
3 for the office of clerk of court to grow to meet the needs of citizens; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque's leadership and dedication have made it possible for the
5 clerk's office to grow from a small office with five employees into a modern and efficient
6 public agency, with three offices throughout the parish staffed with professionally certified
7 personnel who are prepared to provide citizens with the quality of service they deserve and
8 have come to expect; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque has long been active in a number of professional and civic
10 organizations, including the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association; the International
11 Association of Clerks, Records, Election Officials, and Treasurers; the National
12 Association of Court Managers; and the Ascension Chamber of Commerce, and he served
13 as a public address announcer for East Ascension and Gonzales football teams for forty
14 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Bourque married Rita on February 14, 1985; he has seven children;
16 and he has nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of whom know him as Paw Paw
17 Hart.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
19 commend Kermit "Hart" Bourque for his more than fifty years of distinguished public
20 service and does hereby recognize and record his notable achievements and manifold
21 contributions to the citizens of Louisiana.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
23 to Kermit "Hart" Bourque.

DIGEST

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