

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVE TERRY LANDRY

A RESOLUTION

To commend Terrance Simien for his musical accomplishments.

WHEREAS, Terrance Simien is known as one of the most soulful vocalists and fieriest accordionists of zydeco; and

WHEREAS, Terrance Simien was born on September 3, 1965; he grew up in the rural community of Mallet in St. Landry Parish near Opelousas; and

WHEREAS, he first heard zydeco at local dances as a young boy, and he began to develop an interest in the music in the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, at the age of fourteen, Mr. Simien's parents bought him his first accordion; he would record zydeco shows on the radio and practice until he learned the material; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Mr. Simien signed with a national booking agency; for more than thirty years, he has contributed to zydeco music, and he has produced Grammy Award winning recordings; and

WHEREAS, he is a highly acclaimed musician whose unique and extraordinary talents have earned him honor and recognition in his community, in the state of Louisiana, in the United States, and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Terrance Simien merits a special measure of commendation for the tremendous pride and honor that he brings to his family, friends, and community, the state of Louisiana, and all who know him.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Terrance Simien for his outstanding accomplishments and achievements in zydeco music; does hereby recognize for posterity the extraordinary career he has had thus far; and does hereby extend to him every good wish for continued success, prosperity, and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Terrance Simien.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES