SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 84

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend John J. Finan Jr. upon receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Catholic Health Association of the United States.

WHEREAS, the Catholic Health Association's Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes leaders of the health ministry who exemplify dedication, inspiration, influence, commitment to ministry, care for the poor and vulnerable, promotion of the common good, and action on behalf of justice; and

WHEREAS, John J. Finan Jr. has been a leader in healthcare for over forty years and currently serves as the president of Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady of Health System; and

WHEREAS, he has also worked in academia with appointments at several prestigious institutions such as Washington University School of Medicine, Southern Illinois University, University of Alabama School of Health Related Professions, and The George Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Finan's commitment to service for the good of others extends past the workplace and into the community where he holds positions in many organizations such as VHA Health Foundation, the Catholic Health Association, Council for a Better Louisiana, Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, and the Board of Trustees of Loyola University in New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, John Finan is a man of great and unwavering faith who deeply understands the Church's dignity and honors its teachings with action by remaining resolute in his commitment to the ministry and the care of the vulnerable, even in the largely secular business environment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Finan's resilience, integrity, and steadfast belief that any business transaction must fit within the beliefs of the Church, regardless of potential for return, has solidified his position as a role model for Catholic executives across the country; and

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WHEREAS, he is not only a successful businessman, he is also a devoted husband to his wife of forty-three years, Patty, a proud father of three children, and a loving grandfather to his three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, John J. Finan Jr. merits a special measure of commendation for his exemplary service to the Church, commitment to those less fortunate, and the pride he has brought to the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend John J. Finan Jr. upon receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Catholic Health Association of the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to John J. Finan Jr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES