

1 impaired employees can perform to the best of their abilities; and

2 WHEREAS, Shelly has transformed LAB into an organization that exemplifies
3 integrity, transparency, and respect for all employees; with the implementation of a Quality
4 Work Environment program, employees have input and upward mobility within the agency,
5 and with adaptable workstations and extensive training, these employees are afforded
6 pathways to jobs that were previously inaccessible to those with low vision capacities; and

7 WHEREAS, during 2017, Louisiana Association for the Blind celebrated its ninetieth
8 anniversary, and Shelly has worked tirelessly to promote LAB within the community and
9 to recognize this impressive milestone of success; and

10 WHEREAS, Shelly Taylor has served with great distinction with membership and
11 board positions in the National Association for Employment of People Who Are Blind
12 (NAEPB), VisionServe Alliance, Rotary International, and many other nonprofit
13 organizations; and

14 WHEREAS, Shelly Taylor graduated with magna cum laude honors having earned
15 a liberal arts degree from Louisiana State University-Shreveport and having also earned a
16 Master of Business Administration degree from Centenary College where she serves on its
17 board of directors for Literacy Volunteers of Centenary College; and

18 WHEREAS, Shelly Taylor was twice honored as a nominee for the Athena Award
19 by the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce; and

20 WHEREAS, Shelly Taylor is a management executive of the highest order who
21 possesses an abundance of interests and skills, she wears the mantle of community service
22 proudly and willingly, and she has left an indelible mark on the Louisiana Association for
23 the Blind during her tenure.

24 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
25 commend Elaine M. "Shelly" Taylor for her outstanding achievements as president and CEO
26 of the Louisiana Association for the Blind, for her exemplary service to the visually impaired
27 citizens of the state of Louisiana, and for her many contributions made on behalf of her
28 community.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Shelly Taylor is hereby congratulated upon the
30 celebration of her well-earned retirement on September 20, 2017.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
2 Shelly Taylor, former president and chief executive officer of the Louisiana Association for
3 the Blind.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Susan P. Montague.

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Commends Shelly Taylor upon her retirement as president and CEO of the Louisiana Association for the Blind.