

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Ray Escuriex, Sr., named 2017 Citizen of the Year by  
*The Daily Iberian*

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Ray Escuriex, Sr., upon being named New Iberia 2017 Citizen of the Year.

3 WHEREAS, every year, *The Daily Iberian* selects as its Citizen of the Year a person  
4 or group whose generosity and contributions to the community stand out; Ray Escuriex, Sr.,  
5 was chosen for this honor in 2017; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Escuriex graduated from New Iberia Senior High School in 1948,  
7 volunteered in the U.S. Navy reserves, and spent decades working in architecture; and

8 WHEREAS, throughout his life, Ray Escuriex, Sr., has been an active member of the  
9 Iberia Parish community who has dedicated much of his time and energy to service; and

10 WHEREAS, the organizations Mr. Escuriex has served include the Boy Scouts,  
11 Greater Iberia Chamber of Commerce, Iberia Performing Arts League, Little League, New  
12 Iberia Recreation Department Softball Hall of Fame, Shadows-on-the-Teche, United Way,  
13 and World Championship Gumbo Cookoff; and

14 WHEREAS, the work Ray has done for New Iberia has been recognized several  
15 times over the years, including the 1983 Greater Iberia Chamber of Commerce Outstanding  
16 Citizen Award; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Escuriex briefly served as New Iberia's mayor pro tempore; other  
18 roles he has filled include auctioneer, announcer, coordinator, and goodwill ambassador; and

19 WHEREAS, Iberia Crime Stoppers has been one of his favorite projects; Iberia  
20 Crime Stoppers was formed in 2017 with the goal of providing an outlet for residents to  
21 anonymously provide tips about crime in New Iberia; and

1           WHEREAS, Mr. Escuriex has been involved in the Optimist Club for more than sixty  
2 years and has served state-appointed roles for the organization; and

3           WHEREAS, in 2017, he and his wife, Dorothy, celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding  
4 anniversary; they have nine children, twenty-four grandchildren, and seventeen great-  
5 grandchildren; and

6           WHEREAS, as a father of young children, Ray would always bring one of his kids  
7 along with him when he volunteered; he served as a beautiful example for them of how to  
8 contribute to the community; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Escuriex merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation  
10 for his commitment to service of the people of Iberia Parish.

11           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ray Escuriex, Sr., upon being named 2017  
13 Citizen of the Year by *The Daily Iberian*; does hereby recognize and record for posterity his  
14 notable accomplishments and manifold contributions to Iberia Parish; and does hereby  
15 extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that he brings to his family,  
16 community, and state.

17           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
18 to Ray Escuriex, Sr.

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#### DIGEST

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