

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS, ABRAHAM, ABRAMSON, AMEDEE, ANDERS, ARMES, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAGNERIS, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, BISHOP, BOUIE, BRASS, CHAD BROWN, TERRY BROWN, CARMODY, CARPENTER, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, STEVE CARTER, CHANEY, CONNICK, COUSSAN, COX, CREWS, CROMER, DANAHAY, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DWIGHT, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FALCONER, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GISCLAIR, GLOVER, GUINN, HALL, JIMMY HARRIS, LANCE HARRIS, HAVARD, HAZEL, HENRY, HENSGENS, HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HOFFMANN, HOLLIS, HORTON, HOWARD, HUNTER, HUVAL, IVEY, JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, NANCY LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LEBAS, LEGER, LEOPOLD, LYONS, MACK, MAGEE, MARCELLE, MARINO, MCFARLAND, DUSTIN MILLER, GREGORY MILLER, MORENO, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, NORTON, PEARSON, PIERRE, POPE, PUGH, PYLANT, REYNOLDS, RICHARD, SCHEXNAYDER, SEABAUGH, SHADOIN, SIMON, SMITH, STAGNI, STEFANSKI, STOKES, TALBOT, THIBAUT, THOMAS, WHITE, WRIGHT, AND ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Representative Blake Miguez upon recognition as a young industry leader by the *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Representative Blake Miguez upon his recognition as one of the top 20 young industry leaders in south Louisiana by the *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*; and

WHEREAS, in February 2018, the *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report* recognized significant industry leaders under the age of forty in south Louisiana in the oil and gas business, petrochemical sector, and other heavy industries; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez learned the value of hard work at an early age from his grandfather, J.O. Neuville, the founder of Neuville Boat Works; Representative Miguez was instilled with the importance of protecting hard-working Acadiana workers and providing better opportunities to enhance their futures; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez graduated from Catholic High in New Iberia; he earned his bachelor of arts in political science from Louisiana State University and his juris doctorate from Southern University Law Center; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez's passion for job creation and protecting small businesses stems from his own experience as a small business owner; he took over the family business, SeaTran Marine, growing the company from five or six vessels to thirty vessels before the slowdown of the oil and gas market; he is president of SeaTran Marine, L.L.C. and executive vice president of Miguez Fuels and Lubricants; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez is the youngest member of the board of directors of the Offshore Marine Service Association; in 2017 *The Daily Advertiser* named Representative Miguez one of the Top 20 Under 40 and in 2018 *The Daily Iberian* bestowed upon him the same honor; he is a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association and the Iberia Teche Chapter of the American Inns of Court; and

WHEREAS, in his spare time, he competes professionally in handgun shooting competitions, where he has won both world and U.S. titles; Representative Miguez is a proud member of the National Rifle Association and United States Practical Shooting Association; in 2017 the Louisiana Shooting Association recognized him as Legislator of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez widely promotes second amendment rights; he speaks on gun safety and gun rights to many Acadiana Republican organizations, Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, chambers of commerce, Boy Scouts, and the Louisiana State University Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC), among other groups; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez is an Eagle Scout and a member of Ducks Unlimited, Delta Waterfowl, and the Coastal Conservation Association; he is a lifetime Louisiana hunting license holder, a donor to the local Race for the Cure, and a sponsor of a local youth soccer team and the Iberia Senior High cheerleaders; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez is a member of the Knights of Columbus; he attends mass at St. Nicholas in Lydia and St. Peter in New Iberia; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez is supported by his loving wife, Ashley Miguez; he is the proud father of Julianna Jolié and stepfather of Izabel and Colin; and

WHEREAS, Representative Miguez has had extraordinary success as a result of unwavering determination; Representative Miguez is one of Louisiana's finest citizens, and he has championed the causes of Republicans in his role as legislator.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Representative Blake Miguez upon being recognized in the *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report* as one of the top 20 young industrial leaders in south Louisiana, does hereby recognize and record the extraordinary accomplishments and achievements of Blake Miguez; does hereby extend enduring gratitude for the contributions he has made to House District No. 49 and the state of Louisiana; and does hereby wish him success, good health, and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Representative Blake Miguez.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES