

1 WHEREAS, although officially retired from his position of editor since 1999,
2 Mr. Beam continues to cover the Louisiana Legislature and write editorials for the *American*
3 *Press*; and

4 WHEREAS, Jim has won numerous awards for his writing from the Louisiana Press
5 Association, the Louisiana-Mississippi Associated Press, the Louisiana Medical Society, and
6 others throughout the decades; and

7 WHEREAS, in 2000, Jim Beam was selected by the Advertising and Press Club to
8 be the first "Lake Area Legend", was awarded the Hector San Miguel Memorial Award for
9 Outstanding Achievement in Journalism in 2010, and was inducted into the Louisiana
10 Political Hall of Fame in 2017; and

11 WHEREAS, in addition to political columns, Jim has also published several
12 collections of work, including *Positively Beaming* and *A Matter of Trust*; and

13 WHEREAS, James "Jim" Beam brings pride to the Southwest Louisiana region as
14 the first journalist from Southwest Louisiana to be inducted into the Louisiana Political
15 Museum and Hall of Fame; and

16 WHEREAS, Jim Beam is an institution in Louisiana politics known for his steadfast
17 commitment to the highest journalistic ideals, and he has earned the unceasing admiration
18 of the citizens of the state of Louisiana, whose knowledge and understanding of Louisiana
19 politics and culture have been enriched immeasurably by his singular talents and dedication.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
21 commend James C. "Jim" Beam, a native Louisianian and a preeminent and respected
22 journalist, for providing journalistic coverage of the Louisiana Legislature for fifty years.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
24 James C. Beam.

DIGEST

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