

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY SENATOR BARROW

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and the Progressive Chapter 186 Order of the Eastern Star upon their fiftieth anniversary.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and Progressive Chapter 186 Order of the
3 Eastern Star on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of both of
4 these chapters in Clinton, Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, the chapters are both celebrating fifty years of helping those in need in
6 the Clinton, Louisiana, area; and

7 WHEREAS, in May, 1970, a group of men from the Clinton area petitioned to form
8 Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and on July 1, 1970, the request was granted, confirming a
9 warrant of constitution, signed by Most Worshipful Grand Master, T. J. Hawkins of the Most
10 Worshipful Universal Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Shreveport, Louisiana; and

11 WHEREAS, in July, 1970, a like-minded group of women in Clinton was granted
12 the Progressive Chapter 186 Order of the Eastern Star petition to establish the chapter,
13 signed by Grand Matron Mable H. Risner, Star Hope Grand Chapter in Shreveport,
14 Louisiana; and

15 WHEREAS, the members of Progressive Chapter 186 Order of the Eastern Star have
16 assisted those in need in the communities of the Felicianas, served as a positive social
17 organization spreading good cheer in their community and supported the brother
18 organization, Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238, and has enjoyed fellowship events with other

1 chapters of Order of the Eastern Star; and

2 WHEREAS, as it celebrates fifty years of giving back and being involved in the
3 community life in the Felicianas, Progressive Chapter 186 of Order of the Eastern Star is led
4 by: Worthy Matron Lillie M. Brown, Associate Matron Lorraine Tapp, Secretary Brenda
5 Matthews, Treasurer Mary J. Williams, Worthy Patron Warren Jefferson, and Associate
6 Patron Willie White; and

7 WHEREAS, Progressive Chapter 186 remains under the jurisdiction of Star of Hope
8 Grand Chapter, led by Most Worshipful Grand Matron Margaret Bowie-Thompson; and

9 WHEREAS, Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 members have assisted the needy and less
10 fortunate in the community, supplied children with backpack give-aways, and supported its
11 sister organization, the Progressive Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 186; and

12 WHEREAS, as they look forward to continuing to serve their community, Phillip's
13 Masonic Lodge 238 is led by Worshipful Master Samuel Brown Jr., Senior Warden Warren
14 Jefferson, Junior Warden Arthur Weatherspoon, Treasurer Willie White, and the Reverend
15 David Thomas Jr.; and

16 WHEREAS, Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 continues under the jurisdiction of Most
17 Worshipful Universal Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. led by Most Worshipful Grand Master
18 Joseph L. Thomas; and

19 WHEREAS, both Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and Progressive Chapter 186 Order
20 of the Eastern Star take seriously their role in serving the most needy in their community as
21 well as providing fellowship for their members and are equally grateful to those who led the
22 movement to establish these chapters in 1970 and those founding officers; and

23 WHEREAS, the founding officers of Lodge 238 were Worshipful Master Woodrow
24 Wilson, Senior Warden Leander McKneely, Junior Warden Frank Scott, Secretary James
25 Guy, Treasurer Newman Jefferson and Lodge chaplain was the Reverend T. M. Phillips,
26 after whom Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 was named; and

27 WHEREAS, the original officers of Progressive Chapter 186 Order of the Eastern
28 Star were Worthy Matron Mary B. Coleman, Associate Matron Marie Quiet, Secretary
29 Dorothy Wilson, Treasurer H. Bell, Worthy Patron Reason Davis, and Associate Patron
30 Leander McKneely; and

1 WHEREAS, a great deal of pride in their many accomplishments over the past fifty
2 years, the members of Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and Progressive Chapter 186 Order of
3 the Eastern Star look forward with anticipation and commitment to continuing to better the
4 lives of those in their community and to serving the social needs of their members for
5 another fifty years, looking forward to their centennial in the year 2070.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
7 does hereby commend the Phillip's Masonic Lodge 238 and Progressive Chapter 186 Order
8 of the Eastern Star on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of both of these
9 chapters in Clinton, Louisiana.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
11 Worshipful Master Samuel Brown Jr. and Worthy Matron Lillie M. Brown on behalf of the
12 members of their respective chapters.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Mary Dozier O'Brien.

DIGEST

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