

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 31

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Joshua Hodges on his professional achievements and service to his country.

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump has selected Joshua Hodges to be the top official focusing on the Americas at the National Security Council; Mr. Hodges started last week as senior director for Western Hemisphere affairs on the National Security Council and as a special assistant to the president; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodges received a bachelor of arts in international studies from Louisiana State University and a master of arts in national security and strategic studies, with a focus on information operation, from the Naval War College; and

WHEREAS, early in his professional career, Mr. Hodges worked with community development organizations in rural communities in Mexico to raise awareness, improve infrastructure, and establish programs aimed at eradicating poverty; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodges is a committed public servant with extensive congressional experience in various capacities; he served as a national security policy advisor on the Senate Judiciary Committee, the Small Business Committee, and the Senate Banking Committee; he also served as a military legislative assistant designee to the Senate Armed Services committee and as a legislative director in the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodges served the National Security Council as the deputy senior director for information statecraft and as director for strategic communication, where he advised on strategy to counter foreign influence against the United States and international partners and led the development of White House and U.S. government communications on matters of national security; and

WHEREAS, Joshua first joined the administration of President Donald Trump as director of congressional affairs at the Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security

Administration; he recently served as the senior deputy assistant administrator in the United States Agency for International Development, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Hodges is a stellar example of a committed public servant, and his sense of civic duty and professional accomplishments are certainly worthy of the highest recognition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Joshua Hodges on his professional achievements and service to his country; does hereby offer sincere gratitude for Mr. Hodges's extensive and impressive service in the public sector; and does hereby extend sincere hopes and wishes that he continue to enjoy continued success in his career for many years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Joshua Hodges.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES