

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sergeant Stephen Rhodes for

3 his heroism.

4 WHEREAS, on May 7, 2022, Sergeant Stephen Rhodes immediately responded to

5 a capsized vessel carrying multiple passengers near his patrol area at Grand Isle in Jefferson

6 Parish; with the help of three good Samaritans, he launched his patrol vessel and embarked

7 to assist the boaters; and

8 WHEREAS, upon arrival at the scene, Sergeant Rhodes learned that a seven-year-old

9 girl remained trapped below the vessel; he shed his work gear, dove into the water, and

10 located the unresponsive child; and

11 WHEREAS, after bringing the girl to his vessel, Sergeant Rhodes began CPR; after

12 two rounds of CPR, the child began breathing; she was then transported to a hospital where

13 she made a full recovery and has since been released; and

14 WHEREAS, Sergeant Rhodes is a fifteen-year veteran of the Louisiana Department

15 of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division who has dedicated his entire career in

16 service to Terrebonne Parish; he is passionate about boating safety laws and educating the

17 public on their importance; his quick action not only prevented a tragedy, but also fulfilled

18 his continuous commitment to the community as a protector of the public; and

19 WHEREAS, Sergeant Rhodes truly embodies the values that the Louisiana

20 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division strives to accomplish on a daily

1 basis; the state of Louisiana is truly proud to recognize Sergeant Stephen Rhodes as one of
2 its own; he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his heroic actions.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
4 commend Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sergeant Stephen Rhodes for his
5 heroism in saving the life of a child; does hereby further recognize Sergeant Rhodes for his
6 constant dedication to public safety; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the people
7 of Louisiana and all those who enjoy its waters observe laws that ensure the safety of
8 everyone.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Louisiana
10 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sergeant Stephen Rhodes.

DIGEST

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