SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Deputy Christopher Hogan of the West Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office on being the recipient of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association's 2023 Deputy Valor Award.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association presents the Deputy Valor Award to a deputy who shows extraordinary judgment and bravery, and performance above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2022, Deputy Christopher Hogan, a deputy sheriff with the West Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office, was dispatched to mile marker one hundred fifty of Interstate-10 West to provide backup for Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) Motorist Assistance Patrol (MAP) worker, Darrell Guillory; and

WHEREAS, when Darrell Guillory stopped to help what appeared to be a stranded motorist, he discovered the vehicle's engine running but the driver was not in sight; finding this situation suspicious, Darrell Guillory called the West Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office for backup; and

WHEREAS, in the two short minutes it took for Deputy Hogan to arrive, the driver of the vehicle, who had been hiding in the woods, confronted Darrell Guillory and began to violently attack the MAP worker with a screwdriver; and

WHEREAS, when Deputy Hogan arrived on the scene, the MAP worker was on the ground being attacked; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Hogan immediately ran toward the scene while ordering the suspect to stop, at which point the suspect then turned his attention to Deputy Hogan, stood up, and charged toward him with a screwdriver; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the threat, Deputy Hogan discharged his weapon until the immediate threat was eliminated; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Hogan called for medical assistance and directed their arrival; despite efforts in rendering aid, neither the suspect nor MAP worker Darrell Guillory survived their injuries; and WHEREAS, on November 20, 2022, Deputy Hogan truly behaved heroically and exemplified what it means to be valiant; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Hogan has humbly served West Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office with a positive attitude and a quiet willingness to always go out of his way to help others and is most deserving of this prestigious award.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Deputy Christopher Hogan on being the recipient of the 2023 Deputy Valor Award from the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, does hereby recognize his bravery in the face of imminent danger, and does hereby recognize and record for posterity his tireless dedication and service to the citizens of West Baton Rouge Parish and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Deputy Christopher Hogan.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE