

2025 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 173

BY SENATOR CLOUD

COMMENDATIONS. Commends and congratulates Pastor Mike Wicker and First Lady Tara Wicker for their unwavering commitment to faith, family and life, and to recognize their impactful leadership through "My God Votes" and their efforts at the Louisiana State Capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate Pastor Mike Wicker and First Lady Tara Wicker for their
3 unwavering commitment to faith, family and life, and to recognize their impactful
4 leadership through "My God Votes" and their efforts at the Louisiana State Capitol.

5 WHEREAS, Pastor Mike Wicker and First Lady Tara Wicker are deeply committed
6 leaders in the Christian community, having dedicated their lives to ministry, community
7 transformation, and the sanctity of life; and

8 WHEREAS, Pastor Mike Wicker is the Apostle and Founding Pastor of Lighthouse
9 Christian Fellowship Church, which he and his wife Tara founded in January 2014,
10 following over twenty-five years of ministry that included service on the pastoral staff at
11 Bethany World Prayer Center, where he played a critical role in post-disaster response and
12 ministered to more than seventeen hundred Hurricane Katrina survivors; and

13 WHEREAS, First Lady Tara Wicker is equally devoted to ministry and public
14 service, with a background in community revitalization, small business development, and
15 neighborhood transformation, and currently serves as capitol coordinator for both My God
16 Votes and Louisiana Right to Life; and

17 WHEREAS, together they serve as co-directors of Louisiana Black Advocates for
18 Life (LABAL), where they lead initiatives such as the Black Dads for Life and Love Life

1 Faith Initiative, and have launched numerous "Life Academies" aimed at transforming the
2 whole person, the family, and urban communities through faith-based education and
3 empowerment; and

4 WHEREAS, Pastor Mike and First Lady Tara Wicker are at the forefront of the "My
5 God Votes" movement, a nationwide effort aimed at activating the Christian community in
6 civic engagement and the defense of biblical values, and they serve as key state leaders in
7 this initiative; and

8 WHEREAS, they are now in their second year hosting weekly worship services in
9 the Louisiana State Capitol, a historic and spiritually significant endeavor that aligns
10 Louisiana with five other states currently holding regular Christian worship gatherings in
11 their respective state capitols; and

12 WHEREAS, their faith-filled leadership has created a renewed spiritual atmosphere
13 within the Louisiana State Capitol, offering weekly encouragement, prayer, and worship to
14 lawmakers, staff, and the public, all while reinforcing the enduring role of faith in public
15 life; and

16 WHEREAS, Pastor Mike and First Lady Tara Wicker's thirty-two years of marriage,
17 six children, and growing legacy of ministry serve as a living testimony of faith, service, and
18 family values in action.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
20 does hereby commend and congratulate Pastor Mike Wicker and First Lady Tara Wicker for
21 their tremendous contributions to the state through their ministry, community development
22 work, and leadership in the pro-life and civic faith movement.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
24 Pastor Mike and First Lady Tara Wicker as a token of gratitude for their lasting impact on
25 Louisiana's spiritual and civic landscape.

