

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 167

BY REPRESENTATIVE HALL

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams upon her retirement from Rapides Parish Schools

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams upon her retirement from Rapides Parish  
3 Schools.

4 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams upon her  
5 retirement from Rapides Parish Schools after thirty-four years of dedicated service; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Williams is a 1974 graduate of Peabody School, now known as  
7 Peabody Magnet High School, in Alexandria, Louisiana; she graduated a semester ahead of  
8 her high school class and enrolled at Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical  
9 College in Baton Rouge in January of 1974; and

10 WHEREAS, on May 8, 1978, she graduated from Southern University and  
11 Agricultural and Mechanical College with a bachelor of science degree in business  
12 education; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Williams worked for Rapides Bank, the Tioga Branch, for two  
14 years before securing a position as a business education teacher at Tioga High School for the  
15 1980-1981 school year; during the 1981-1982 school year, she taught business education at  
16 Buckeye High School; and

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Williams moved into the special education field and secured a dual  
18 teaching certificate after completing the requirements from Northwestern State University  
19 in Natchitoches in 1984; and

20 WHEREAS, during the fall of 1983 until the fall of 2005, Ms. Williams taught  
21 special education at Bolton High School; during her twenty-two year tenure at Bolton High

1 School, Ms. Williams completed a comprehensive mentor training program and until 2005,  
2 she served as a teacher mentor helping to train beginner teachers; she also wrote and  
3 implemented a business education curriculum and taught keyboarding and income tax  
4 preparation to students with learning disabilities; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Williams left an incredible mark at Bolton High School by serving  
6 as LEAD teacher in the special education department for many years; and

7 WHEREAS, from January of 2006 until December of 2006, Ms. Williams taught at  
8 Peabody Magnet High School; and

9 WHEREAS, from 2007 until May 21, 2015, Ms. Williams served as the LEAD  
10 teacher for the special education department at Arthur F. Smith Middle School; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Williams is the loving mother of Terrence Williams and Michael  
12 Williams; the mother-in-law of Tanya; and a proud grandmother; and

13 WHEREAS, she is an active member of Zion Hill Church in Pineville; and

14 WHEREAS, upon her retirement after thirty-four wonderful years of service to  
15 Rapides Parish Schools, it is appropriate to commend Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams upon her  
18 retirement from Rapides Parish Schools after thirty-four years of dedicated service and does  
19 hereby extend to her best wishes for continued success in her future endeavors.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
21 to Shirley Yvonne Cole Williams.

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#### DIGEST

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