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2016 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

BY SENATOR ALARIO

COMMENDATIONS. Commends former Senator David R. Heitmeier on being named the 2015 Optometrist of the Year by the American Optometric Association.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend former Senator David R. Heitmeier on being named the 2015 Optometrist of
3	the Year by the American Optometric Association.
4	WHEREAS, Dr. Heitmeier served the residents of Louisiana State Senate District
5	7 as state senator and the residents of South Louisiana as a practicing optometrist; and
6	WHEREAS, Dr. Heitmeier was the first optometrist to be elected to the Louisiana
7	State Senate; and
8	WHEREAS, as an honors graduate from the University of Houston College of
9	Optometry, Dr. Heitmeier returned to Louisiana and founded Heitmeier & Armani Medical
10	and Surgical Eye Care Center, the Nautical Optical Laboratory, and two charity eye care
11	clinics that serve the residents of South Louisiana; and
12	WHEREAS, as a member of the Louisiana State Senate from 2012 to 2016, Dr.
13	Heitmeier made health care and the providing and financing of healthcare services a top
14	priority; and
15	WHEREAS, throughout his professional career, Dr. Heitmeier has represented his
16	profession through active participation with the American Optometric Association and its
17	Louisiana branch, the Optometry Association of Louisiana, and has been recognized for his
18	service; and

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1	WHEREAS, dedicated to promoting the importance of quality vision care, Dr.
2	Heitmeier has championed InfantSEE Week in Louisiana, making it a resounding success,
3	has served as a volunteer with the Special Olympics Opening Eyes Program, and has
4	appeared as the voice and face of optometry in more than seven hundred television public
5	service announcements raising awareness of glaucoma, InfantSEE, and the profession of
6	optometry.
7	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
8	does hereby commend former Senator David R. Heitmeier on being named the 2015
9	Optometrist of the Year by the American Optometric Association.
10	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
11	Dr. David R. Heitmeier, O.D.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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