

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

BY SENATOR LONG AND REPRESENTATIVE BAGNERIS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate David Julius Malarcher on being named to the 2016 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in Natchitoches, Louisiana, each year collaborates with the Louisiana Sports Writers Association in selecting a limited number of sports figures who embody the character, skill, and talents worthy of being named to the hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class includes the late baseball legend "Gentleman" David Julius Malarcher; and

WHEREAS, a New Orleans native, "Gentleman Dave" was one of the most remarkable figures in baseball's Negro League history; and

WHEREAS, he was attending New Orleans University and playing for the New Orleans Eagles at the age of twenty-two in 1916 when he was picked up by the Indianapolis ABCs who offered him fifty dollars a month for his first contract; and

WHEREAS, he became one of the league's top third basemen and after serving in World War I, returned to the field but this time as team manager of the Chicago American Giants and directed the team to three straight pennants and two World Series; and

WHEREAS, he passed away in 1982, and in honor of his historical career, his cap and jersey are on display in Cooperstown, New York, at the National Baseball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, the successful and legendary career of David Julius Malarcher has rightly earned him a place among the many greats in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate David Julius Malarcher on being named to the 2016 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of David Julius Malarcher.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES