

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY REPRESENTATIVE PUGH

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Josh Burns of Ponchatoula for heroism

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Josh Burns of Ponchatoula for heroism.

3 WHEREAS, it is fitting to commend extraordinary acts of heroism; and

4 WHEREAS, former Green Beret Josh Burns of Ponchatoula, while traveling with  
5 wife Felicia on Interstate 55 in October of 2016, demonstrated one such extraordinary act  
6 when he put aside his personal concerns to come to the aid of others; and

7 WHEREAS, Josh jumped thirty feet into the water below an elevated portion of  
8 southbound Interstate 55 after he spotted a dump truck that had gone over the side;  
9 bystanders on the span above assisted his life-saving efforts by lowering tools to break the  
10 truck's windows, and Josh was able to safely pull two passengers from the submerged  
11 vehicle and help the dazed driver to the shore; and

12 WHEREAS, in true hero fashion, Josh Burns downplayed his role in the dramatic  
13 rescue and said, "It was just a matter of timing ... I guess God had a plan and I'm thankful  
14 I was a part of it."

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
16 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Josh Burns for his tremendous heroism in  
17 saving the lives of three of his fellow citizens and does hereby express pride and admiration  
18 for a job well done.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
20 to Josh Burns.

DIGEST

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