

1 Electric Power Company (AEP-SWEPCO), Builders Supply Company, Inc., CenterPoint
2 Energy, Shreveport Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Maddox and Hughes Insurance Agency,
3 Montgomery Agency, Inc., Pulley-White Insurance Agency, Inc., Red River Motor
4 Company, and The Shreveport Times newspaper; and

5 WHEREAS, over the next seven decades, the diverse membership of the Bossier
6 Chamber of Commerce has promoted free enterprise and entrepreneurship; the Chamber has
7 grown to become a network of more than nine hundred members operating in seven states
8 and thirty-seven cities throughout the nation; and

9 WHEREAS, the Bossier Chamber has advanced innovative partnerships to create
10 community service projects, such as, the Shreveport-Bossier Military Affairs Council that
11 acts as the primary liaison between the civilian and business community and the leadership
12 of Barksdale Air Force Base and the Keep Bossier Beautiful anti-littering campaign; and

13 WHEREAS, a Chamber health initiative brought about essential public health
14 services with establishment of the first medical emergency room in Bossier City; and

15 WHEREAS, an agreement between the Chamber and the Bossier Parish School
16 Board resulted in the Bossier Youth Leadership Program; and

17 WHEREAS, this partnership represents an investment in motivated high school
18 students who train for leadership roles and gain valuable experience; and

19 WHEREAS, the Chamber is an effective advocate for economic development in both
20 Bossier and Caddo parishes and the Ark-La-Tex industrial infrastructure that includes
21 service industries, multi-modal transportation centers, active and retired military, and
22 manufacturing networks; and

23 WHEREAS, the legacy of the Bossier Chamber of Commerce remains that of an
24 influential, vital, and dynamic force for the cultivation of economic potential in a prosperous
25 community; and

26 WHEREAS, for seventy years the Bossier Chamber of Commerce has served as an
27 integral component that makes this community a great place in which to live, work, and play.

28 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
29 commend the officers and members of the Bossier Chamber of Commerce on the occasion
30 of its seventieth anniversary.

