

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72

BY REPRESENTATIVE JENKINS AND SENATORS PEACOCK AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Mary Alice Rountree upon her retirement from the Caddo Council on Aging.

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree has been married to Douglas Rountree for forty-six years and has raised two wonderful children, Catherine and Miller; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree attended Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge and received her bachelor of science degree in sociology from Louisiana Tech University in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree worked as the director of Outreach Services from 1972 through 1975 under the Council of Area government, was hired on July 28, 1997, as Caddo Council on Aging Social Service Director, and was promoted to executive director in 1999 to the Council on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree has volunteered to help several organizations throughout her career to help seniors and children that reside in Caddo Parish and throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree has provided leadership and managed services including: meals on wheels, in-home services, foster grandparents, ombudsman, legal services, and senior center dining sites; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree worked tirelessly to organize all data systems to implement records and follow-up services for senior citizens as Outreach Director of Informational Services which provides one thousand two hundred home delivered meals served daily by two hundred volunteers; and

WHEREAS, through Mary Rountree's leadership the Caddo Council on Aging has received one of seven grants out of sixty-four councils under consideration, and through her efforts in fundraising, the council raises two hundred fifty thousand dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, Mary Rountree has touched the lives of thousands of people through Caddo Parish and the state of Louisiana with her endless energy and innovative ideas; and

WHEREAS, although she is retiring, her impact on the elderly population and their families in the state of Louisiana will continue for many years to come, and she will be sorely missed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Mary Alice Rountree upon her retirement from the Caddo Council on Aging; does hereby express enduring appreciation to her for her very long career of exemplary public service and her contributions to the well-being of our elderly citizens, and does hereby extend to her every good wish for success and happiness in all of her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mary Alice Rountree.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE