

2017 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 108

BY SENATOR LONG

COMMENDATIONS. Commends posthumously Raymond Ernest Didier on being named to the 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend posthumously Raymond Ernest Didier on being named to the 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

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 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class includes Coach Raymond Ernest Didier; and

WHEREAS, he was born in Marksville, Louisiana, on January 7, 1920, and began his coaching career at what was then Southwestern Louisiana Institute (now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette) in 1948 and during his nine seasons leading the team, earned five Gulf State Conference baseball championships; and

WHEREAS, he also coached football for six seasons at the Southwestern Louisiana Institute and steered the team to a league title; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, Coach Didier moved to Louisiana State University to coach the baseball team, and during his tenure, the Tigers maintained a 104-79 record and won the 1961 Southeastern Conference Championship; and

1 WHEREAS, while at LSU he enlisted his talents and skills as an assistant coach to
2 Paul Dietzel to help steer the football team to the 1958 National Collegiate Athletic
3 Association National Championship; and

4 WHEREAS, in 1963 he was hired on as the Nicholls State University baseball coach
5 and led the team to 217 victories in seven seasons; and

6 WHEREAS, he retired from coaching after the 1971 season with an overall
7 458-311-3 baseball record and remained on as athletic director at Nicholls State University
8 until his passing on March 9, 1978; and

9 WHEREAS, the successful coaching career of Raymond Ernest Didier has rightly
10 earned him a place among the many greats in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
12 commend posthumously Raymond Ernest Didier on being named to the 2017 Louisiana
13 Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
15 family of Raymond Ernest Didier.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by McHenry Lee.

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