

2018 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATOR HEWITT

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Willie B. Jeter for his years of service to the St. Tammany Parish schools and community.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Willie B. Jeter for his service to the St. Tammany Parish schools and the
3 community.

4 WHEREAS, Willie B. Jeter was born to Rufus Jeter Jr. and Lula Green Jeter on
5 November 8, 1945, in Bossier City, Louisiana; he grew up in Bossier Parish; his family were
6 sharecroppers and he remained on several plantations growing up among thirteen siblings;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, he graduated from Redmond Spikes High School in 1963, in Elm
9 Grove, Louisiana; in 1963, he attended Southern University in Baton Rouge on a legislative
10 scholarship; and in June 1968, he received his bachelor's degree in health, physical
11 education, and social studies; and

12 WHEREAS, Willie Jeter was hired as a health, physical education, and social studies
13 teacher at Chahta Ima High School (an all-black school); he was the head basketball coach
14 and assistant track and field and baseball coach; in 1969-1970, the schools were integrated,
15 and Chahta Ima became an all boys junior high school and he remained a teacher and a
16 coach; in 1974-1975 Chahta Ima and Bayou Lacombe became co-ed, and he coached all
17 boys sports, was an administrative assistant (part-time), and taught; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Jeter went to Southeastern Louisiana University and received his

1 master's degree with a concentration in administration and supervision and also earned plus
2 thirty hours from Southeastern Louisiana University and University of Southern Mississippi;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, he became the principal at St. Tammany Junior High in 1991-1995,
5 where he continued to coach basketball; in January 1995 he became the assistant personnel
6 director for the St. Tammany Parish School System; in June of 2004, he retired with
7 thirty-six and one-half years from the St. Tammany Parish School System; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2006, Willie Jeter became the assistant director and later the director
9 of Recreation District 4 of Lacombe, Louisiana; while serving as director of Lacombe
10 Recreation District 4, in 2010, he was elected to the St. Tammany Parish School Board for
11 District 7 and was re-elected in 2014; he is currently serving in that same position, but after
12 forty plus years of coaching basketball, he finally gave it up; and

13 WHEREAS, he is the proud father of one daughter, Sheila Jeter Hayes, two
14 grandsons: Jonnathan and Joshua Hayes, and a beautiful dog named Gaylord; he is a member
15 and past master of the Parson Lodge #45 Prince Hall affiliate, Free and Accepted Mason of
16 Slidell, Louisiana; he is a member of the St. Tammany Parish School Board, National School
17 Board Association, member of the Northshore Black Elected Officials and Coalition and
18 Associates, member and on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Caucus of Black School
19 Board Members, member of Louisiana School Board Association, and a member of
20 Starlight; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie Jeter has made a difference in the lives of so many children
22 and has had a lifetime of outstanding accomplishments; and

23 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of its communities,
24 and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure upon people like Willie
25 B. Jeter.

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
27 does hereby commend Willie B. Jeter for his service to the St. Tammany Parish schools and
28 to the community, does hereby record his outstanding contribution of time and talent and for
29 his hard work, dedication, and continuous commitment, and does hereby extend best wishes
30 for success in his future endeavors.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
2 Willie B. Jeter.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

DIGEST

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