

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38

BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Louisiana State Trooper Carl Cavalier of Troop C in Terrebonne Parish upon receipt of the Medal of Valor Award

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Louisiana State Trooper Carl Cavalier upon receiving the Medal of Valor
3 Award for his selfless act of bravery.

4 WHEREAS, on Thursday, May 17, 2018, the Louisiana State Police honored Trooper
5 Carl Cavalier with the Medal of Valor Award for risking his life in the line of duty; the
6 award is presented to members of the Louisiana State Police force who demonstrate
7 conspicuous and intrepid gallantry at the risk of their own lives, while having knowledge of
8 such risk; and

9 WHEREAS, during a late night patrol on August 12, 2017, responding to the sound
10 of gunfire, Carl Cavalier entered a hotel in the New Orleans Central Business District with
11 a fellow state trooper to find that a man had fired shots throughout the hotel lobby; and

12 WHEREAS, when the troopers found the suspect in a nearby parking garage and
13 ordered him to lower his weapon, the suspect kept it pointed at the two troopers; both
14 troopers fired at the suspect, forcing him to surrender; and

15 WHEREAS, it was Trooper Cavalier's first officer-involved shooting, and thanks to
16 the actions of Trooper Cavalier and his fellow trooper, no one was injured during the
17 incident; and

18 WHEREAS, a New Orleans native, Trooper Cavalier got his start in law enforcement
19 at the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office after he graduated from Jackson State University
20 in Mississippi with a criminology degree; thereafter he joined Troop C of the Louisiana State
21 Police; and

1 WHEREAS, in his free time, Mr. Cavalier spends time with his three children; he
2 and his girlfriend help run the nonprofit Lifted By Love, which helps support teen mothers
3 who are homeless, within the foster care system, or otherwise at-risk; the organization
4 throws baby showers for expectant mothers, collects and donates diapers, and teaches teen
5 parents about raising children; and

6 WHEREAS, Carl Cavalier merits a sincere measure of commendation for the valor
7 and compassion he demonstrates as a Louisiana State Trooper, for his tireless service to his
8 community, and upon being awarded a 2018 Medal of Valor Award.

9 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
10 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana State Trooper Carl Cavalier upon
11 receiving the Medal of Valor Award for his selfless act of bravery; does hereby record for
12 posterity the remarkable courage of this heroic gentleman; and does hereby express best
13 hopes and wishes for his safety and happiness as he executes his duties as a Louisiana State
14 Police Trooper.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
16 to Louisiana State Trooper Carl Cavalier.

DIGEST

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