

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38

BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS

A RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, in his free time, Mr. Cavalier spends time with his three children; he and his girlfriend help run the nonprofit Lifted By Love, which helps support teen mothers who are homeless, within the foster care system, or otherwise at-risk; the organization

throws baby showers for expectant mothers, collects and donates diapers, and teaches teen parents about raising children; and

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

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

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

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES