

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

BY SENATOR CATHEY

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Andrew Whitworth, offensive tackle for the Los Angeles Rams, for his contributions towards the Rams' victory in Super Bowl LVI.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate the Los Angeles Rams' offensive tackle, Andrew Whitworth
3 of West Monroe, Louisiana, for his contributions towards the Rams winning Super
4 Bowl LVI.

5 WHEREAS, Andrew Whitworth was born December 12, 1981, in Monroe,
6 Louisiana, and began his successful football career at West Monroe High School, in West
7 Monroe, Louisiana, where he was part of three Louisiana Class 5A State Championships in
8 1997, 1998, and 2000, when the school was listed by the National High School Football
9 Tony Poll as national champions; and

10 WHEREAS, in his senior year at West Monroe High School, Whitworth was rated
11 by CNNSI.com as the sixth best offensive line prospect in the nation and participated in the
12 first ever U.S. Army All-American Bowl game on December 30, 2000; and

13 WHEREAS, following high school, Whitworth joined the LSU Tiger Football Team
14 and in 2002, he started every game as a redshirt freshman, and was recognized as a first team
15 Freshman All-American by The Sporting News and Football Writers Association; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2003, as a sophomore, Whitworth started in all fourteen games,
17 helping the Tigers to a 13-1 record and the BCS national title with a Sugar Bowl defeat of
18 Oklahoma; and

1 WHEREAS, after his stellar college football career, Whitworth was chosen in the
2 second round of the 2006 NFL draft as the 55th overall pick by the Cincinnati Bengals and
3 went on to play eleven years with that team and the last five seasons he played for the Los
4 Angeles Rams; and

5 WHEREAS, since entering the NFL, Whitworth has started in two hundred
6 thirty-five of two hundred thirty-nine games played; caught a one yard touchdown pass, the
7 first of his career, on his birthday in 2010; in 2019, he became only the twelfth starter in
8 NFL history to earn victories against all thirty-two teams; and this year, he became just the
9 fourth player to win the Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Award and the Super Bowl in
10 the same season; and

11 WHEREAS, beyond starring on the football field, in 2021, Whitworth started his
12 "Big Whit Homes for LA Families" venture, which after each home game, he donated
13 twenty thousand dollars to repair homes damaged by Hurricane Ida in partnership with
14 Rebuilding Together; and during one game this season, he hosted more than thirty military
15 veterans for the Merging Vets and Players initiative in a suite; and

16 WHEREAS, on Sunday February 13, 2022, Andrew Whitworth raised the legendary
17 Vince Lombardi trophy in celebration with his teammates after defeating the Cincinnati
18 Bengals 23-20 to become the undisputed world champions; and

19 WHEREAS, with remarkable determination, character, skill, and talent that began
20 at West Monroe High School, it is appropriate to call Andrew Whitworth a "True
21 Champion".

22 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
23 does hereby commend and congratulate the Los Angeles Rams' offensive tackle, Andrew
24 Whitworth of West Monroe, Louisiana, for his contributions toward the Rams winning Super
25 Bowl LVI.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
27 Andrew Whitworth.

