

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 21

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Josie Gale Frank upon her induction into the St. Landry Parish Democratic Party Hall of Fame.

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Josie Gale Frank upon her induction into the St. Landry Parish Democratic Party Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, Ms. Frank believes education is essential to living a full life; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Frank graduated from Charles Drew High School in Eunice, Louisiana, and went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts as one of only nine black students on the New England campus; and

WHEREAS, furthering her education, Ms. Frank graduated from Coppin State College in Baltimore, Maryland, with a Masters of Arts and from Southern University Law Center with a Juris Doctorate, and has acquired additional credits in Environmental Law from Tulane University Law School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Frank, a true trailblazer, is the first female of African decent to accomplish the following: to be licensed to practice law in Eunice, Louisiana; to work as an assistant district attorney in the 27th Judicial District Court; to qualify and run for St. Landry Parish Assessor; to be elected to the St. Landry School Board, serving as president for the 2013-2014 session; to work as a hearing officer in the 27th Judicial District Court; and to be a certified Mediator and Arbitrator in the southwest area of our state; and

1           WHEREAS, while Ms. Frank was not victorious in some of her campaigns for public  
2 office, she sees herself as a calculated risk taker, considers all experiences as stepping  
3 stones, and strongly believes that the many faces of color reflected in today's elected officials  
4 resulted in part from her efforts to create an equal playing field for females and candidates  
5 of color in St. Landry Parish and the state; and

6           WHEREAS, Ms. Frank served as the first president of the board of the St. Landry-  
7 Evangeline Women United Organization; the 2019 president of the St. Landry-Evangeline  
8 United Way agency; and as vice president for the Board for Southwest Louisiana Healthcare  
9 Clinic serving the medically under served in the area; and

10          WHEREAS, Ms. Frank considers her greatest assignment is that of mother and has  
11 tremendous pride in her role as mentor to her sons Pride Doran and Jeremiah Emerson Bell  
12 and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

13          WHEREAS, every day Ms. Frank strives to live by her motto of doing her best as  
14 long as she can with what she has to offer for the benefit of as many as possible, creating her  
15 legacy by sharing her time, talents, and treasures with others; and

16          WHEREAS, the St. Landry Democratic Parish Executive Committee biennially  
17 considers persons of high ethical and moral character who have promoted the principles of  
18 constitutional equality, personal liberty, economic opportunity, and government and fiscal  
19 responsibility who has positively influenced the entire parish and the state; and

20          WHEREAS, as recipient of its Lifetime Achievement Award, the St. Landry Parish  
21 Democratic Party considers Ms. Frank to be a person who recognizes and respects the  
22 diversity of all Americans and promotes the common unity of all, leading her political party  
23 and displaying strong leadership throughout her career; and

24          WHEREAS, Josie Gale Frank demonstrates a devotion to all of the principles of the  
25 St. Landry Parish Democratic Party with a lifetime of efforts championing principles that  
26 are so essential to the ideas of American democracy; and

27          WHEREAS, during the Lifetime Achievement Banquet to be held on April 7, 2022,  
28 Josie Gale Frank will be inducted into the St. Landry Parish Democratic Party Hall of Fame.

29          THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
30 does hereby commend and congratulates Josie Gale Frank upon her induction into the St.

1 Landry Parish Democratic Party Hall of Fame.

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
3 Josie Gale Frank.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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