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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 267

BY REPRESENTATIVES GLOVER, BAGLEY, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, PHELPS, PRESSLY, AND SEABAUGH

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the legacy of Judah Hertz and Project Swim in Shreveport

A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the legacy of Judah Hertz and Project Swim in Shreveport. 3 WHEREAS, it is most fitting to posthumously recognize Judah Hertz for his faith 4 and confidence in the future of Shreveport and to commend his support of Project Swim 5 which is committed to safeguarding the lives of Shreveport-area children; and 6 WHEREAS, Judah Hertz was an incredibly unique individual who saw unrealized 7 potential in often overlooked and undervalued people; this skill enabled him to grow his 8 initial \$1,000 investment in New York's SoHo neighborhood, which he made in 1977, into 9 the Hertz Investment Group whose holdings constitute more than twenty-one million square 10 feet of "best-in-class" office space across twenty-five different states; and 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Hertz truly believed in the potential of both Shreveport and the 12 ArkLaTex Region, and his faith continues to inspire these areas even after his passing; he 13 proactively sought out ways to help uplift and empower others, especially in the aftermath 14 of the tragic 2010 drownings of the six Stewart and Warner children; and 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Hertz funded Project Swim to prevent tragic drownings by 16 providing free swimming lessons to disadvantaged youth in the Shreveport area; Project 17 Swim, to date, has invested more than \$750,000 in providing almost eighteen thousand 18 Shreveport-area children with free comprehensive basic water safety and swimming lessons; 19 and

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1 WHEREAS, Judah Hertz, for his compassion and generosity, is most deserving of

- 2 the highest recognition.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the legacy of Judah Hertz and Project Swim
- 5 in Shreveport and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that Mr. Hertz's example can be
- 6 followed by others to ensure the safety of all children.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 8 family of Judah Hertz.

DIGEST

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