2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 170

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

A RESOLUTION

To commend Reverend Ronnie Evans for his civic and community service.

WHEREAS, Ronnie Evans was born on September 20, 1956, in Shreveport, Louisiana, to Annie B. Evans and David A. Jones; he has shared forty-one years of marriage with Anita Metoyer Evans, and they reside in Natchez, Louisiana; he is also father to two children, Ronnie Jared Evans, an attorney in Washington, D.C., and Francis Brooke Evans Fitzpatrick, former Miss Natchitoches Merry Christmas 2011 and resident of Dallas, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Evans is a licensed ordained minister serving at Summer Hill Baptist Church in Evelyn, Louisiana; he also formerly served St. John the Baptist Church in Chestnut, Louisiana, Friendship Baptist Church in Natchitoches, Louisiana, and Shady Grove Baptist Church in Robeline, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Evans received a bachelor of arts degree in accounting from Northwestern State University in 1978 while also graduating from the university's Reserve Officers' Training Corps program as a 2nd lieutenant; he went on to serve in the Louisiana National Guard for six years and achieved the rank of captain; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Evans also worked for the City of Alexandria, office of community development and served as a sales tax auditor for the Natchitoches Parish School Board and notary public for the state of Louisiana in the parishes of Natchitoches and DeSoto; he also held the title of tax supervisor for the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office where he oversaw the collection and distribution of more than \$20 million; he retired in 2020 after thirty-four years of dedicated public service; and

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WHEREAS, Rev. Evans joined Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., in 1976, and he has since served honorably in numerous positions including president, secretary, treasurer, and chapter advisor; he was also a member of the first class inducted into the Northwestern State University Greek Hall of Fame, and he received the Nth degree from the university for his dedicated service; he is also an active member of the Natchitoches Voters and Civic League and former president of the Lambre Gin Homeowners Association in Natchez; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Ronnie Evans is most deserving of the highest recognition for his dedicated service to his community and the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Reverend Ronnie Evans for his civic and community service and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue his incredible work which brings great pride to the state of Louisiana.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES