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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 119

BY REPRESENTATIVES MINCEY AND SCHEXNAYDER AND SENATOR CORTEZ

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Senator J. Rogers Pope for his service to his community and state

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend the Honorable J. Rogers Pope and to express enduring gratitude for his
3	outstanding contributions to the state of Louisiana, particularly during his tenure as
4	a distinguished member of the Legislature of Louisiana.
5	WHEREAS, J. Rogers Pope is a notable public servant who has served with
6	excellence as a state legislator since taking office in 2008, during which time he has fully
7	used every opportunity to serve the citizens of House District No. 71, Senate District No. 13,
8	and the state in an honorable and dedicated manner; and
9	WHEREAS, a graduate of Denham Springs High School, Senator Pope received a
10	bachelor's degree and a "master's plus thirty" in education from Southeastern Louisiana
11	University; and
12	WHEREAS, while serving in the House, Mr. Pope's diligent committee service
13	included serving as a member of the House Committee on Appropriations, the House
14	Committee on Education, the House Committee on Health and Welfare, the House
15	Committee on House and Governmental Affairs, the House Committee on Retirement, the
16	House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, and the Joint Legislative
17	Committee on the Budget; and
18	WHEREAS, Senator Pope has served in the Senate as vice chairman of the Senate
19	Committee on Environmental Quality as well as a member of the Senate Committee on
20	Health and Welfare, the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, the Senate

1 Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, the Joint Legislative Committee 2 on Capital Outlay, and the Senate Select Committee on Women and Children; and 3 WHEREAS, during his time in the legislature, Representative Pope has authored and 4 supported many significant pieces of legislation; and 5 WHEREAS, Senator Pope has served as a member of the Capital Region, 6 Northshore, and Republican delegations and the Rural Caucus; and 7 WHEREAS, prior to his legislative service, Senator Pope spent decades as a 8 respected and beloved educator in Livingston Parish; he served as a teacher, coach, principal, 9 assistant superintendent, and superintendent and was named the Louisiana Superintendent 10 of the Year in 2000; and 11 WHEREAS, additionally, in recognition of his many contributions to education in 12 his community, the courtyard at Southside Junior High School, where he served as the first 13 principal upon the school's opening in 1976, was named in his honor; and 14 WHEREAS, J. Rogers Pope will forever have a special place in the chronicles of the 15 history of Louisiana as one of the state's most outstanding public servants; and 16 WHEREAS, as he prepares to embark on the next chapter of his life, Senator Pope 17 merits a sincere measure of commendation for his singular contributions as an educator and 18 legislator. 19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 20 commend the Honorable J. Rogers Pope; does hereby extend honor and recognition to him 21 for his accomplishments, particularly during his tenure as a member of the legislature, which 22 has been marked by his uncompromising endeavor to improve the welfare of his constituents 23 and all of the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby pay tribute to him for the generous and 24 effective way in which he has dedicated his intelligence and his energy to the service of his 25 family, friends, community, and state. 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby expresses 27 enduring gratitude to Senator Pope for his service to Louisiana, as evidenced by his 28 superlative achievements as a member of this distinguished body, and does hereby extend 29 to him the best wishes of all his colleagues for continued prosperity and success in his future 30 endeavors.

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