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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 133

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREGORY MILLER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Sheriff Greg Champagne on his second term as president of the National Sheriff's Association

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend Sheriff Greg Champagne on his second term as president of the National
3	Sheriff's Association.
4	WHEREAS, Sheriff Greg Champagne is currently serving his seventh term as sheriff
5	of St. Charles Parish; he is the longest-tenured sheriff in the parish's history, with twenty-
6	seven years of service; and
7	WHEREAS, Sheriff Champagne was born and raised in St. Charles Parish; he
8	graduated from Hahnville High School and received a bachelor's degree in government from
9	Nicholls State University and a juris doctorate from the Louisiana State University Paul M.
10	Hebert Law Center; and
11	WHEREAS, following law school, Sheriff Champagne served as an assistant district
12	attorney in St. Charles Parish; during his fourteen-year tenure, he earned a reputation as a
13	tough but fair prosecutor with a 94% conviction rate; he tried numerous felony jury trials
14	including eight homicide trials, all of which resulted in convictions; and
15	WHEREAS, Sheriff Champagne was first elected sheriff of St. Charles Parish in
16	1995; he was re-elected without opposition in 1999, with 81% of the votes in 2003, and with
17	83% of the votes in 2007; he ran without opposition in three-consecutive elections from
18	2011 to 2019; and
19	WHEREAS, over the course of his impressive career in law enforcement, Sheriff
20	Champagne has attended many training programs including the National Center for Missing
21	and Exploited Children and Northwestern University's Graduate School for Prosecutors; he

1 represented the National Sheriff's Association at two international counter-terrorism training 2 programs focused on the detection and prevention of terrorism and general public security 3 measures in Israel and England; and 4 WHEREAS, Sheriff Champagne graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation 5 Academy in Quantico, Virginia, on two occasions; first, he completed the FBI's Law 6 Institute for Prosecutors, and more recently, he graduated from the FBI's Law Enforcement 7 Executive Development Program; and 8 WHEREAS, Sheriff Champagne will be installed for a second time as president of 9 the National Sheriff's Association (NSA) in June; he previously served as president of the 10 association in 2016-2017; for the past twenty years, he has chaired the NSA Legal Affairs 11 Committee, which analyzes proposed congressional legislation and files amicus briefs with 12 the U.S. Supreme Court on landmark criminal justice issues affecting sheriffs nationwide; 13 and 14 WHEREAS, Sheriff Champagne regularly testifies before the Legislature of 15 Louisiana on important issues concerning criminal justice on behalf of the Louisiana 16 Sheriff's Association; he also serves on the Louisiana State Law Institute's Criminal Justice 17 Committee, analyzing criminal justice issues for the legislature; and 18 WHEREAS, outside of his professional life, Greg has shared over forty-one years 19 of marriage with his wife, Alice Landry Champagne; his daughter, Rochelle C. Fahrig, is an 20 assistant district attorney, and his son, Greg Champagne, Jr., is a deputy tax assessor; he also 21 has five grandsons; and 22 WHEREAS, Sheriff Greg Champagne is a genuine servant of the community; his 23 efforts earned him recognition as Louisiana Sheriff of the Year by the Louisiana Crime 24 Victim's Coalition in 2003; he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his dedication 25 to law enforcement and the protection of St. Charles Parish and the state of Louisiana. 26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 27 commend Sheriff Greg Champagne on his second term as president of the National Sheriff's 28 Association and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue to prosper in all of his 29 endeavors.

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