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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 253

BY REPRESENTATIVES MARINO, CORMIER, GREEN, HILFERTY, ILLG, KERNER, LYONS, ORGERON, SCHLEGEL, STAGNI, THOMAS, AND VILLIO

A RESOLUTION

To commend John Mamoulides for his years of public service and to express support for future legislation to name the Jefferson Parish children's advocacy center in honor of Mr. Mamoulides.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize John Mamoulides and commend his years of dedicated public service; and

WHEREAS, John Mamoulides was born in Crowley, Louisiana, and raised there by his parents, Pansy and Mitchell D. Mamoulides; he enrolled in Southwestern Louisiana Institute (now University of Louisiana at Lafayette) where he joined the United States Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps; and

WHEREAS, John graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1954 and began active duty as an Air Force officer; and

WHEREAS, after fulfilling his active duty obligation, Mamoulides enrolled in Tulane University School of Law; while attending law school, he worked full-time for Whitney National Bank in the accounting department and maintained his Air Force commitment with service in the USAF Reserve, flying out of Alvin Callendar Naval Air Station; and

WHEREAS, after establishing himself as a lawyer, Mr. Mamoulides was appointed to serve as an assistant district attorney for Jefferson Parish in 1966, and upon the retirement of District Attorney Frank Langridge in 1972, he was appointed to serve as district attorney; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Mamoulides was elected to his first term as the district attorney of Jefferson Parish in August 1972; he was reelected in 1978, 1984, and 1990, and he retired from office in 1996 after thirty years of service; and

WHEREAS, as a long-tenured district attorney, Mamoulides mentored numerous assistant district attorneys as well as those aspiring to political and judicial offices in the parish of Jefferson and in the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the district attorney's office, Mamoulides was named as legal consultant to the office of the independent counsel, a federal prosecutorial agency distinct from the attorney general; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mamoulides's impact on the legal profession in the state of Louisiana cannot be overstated; he promoted and helped develop numerous innovative programs, and he was a founding member of the Louisiana District Attorney's Association; and

WHEREAS, among his many contributions to an effective judiciary was the creation of the first child advocacy center in the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, John Mamoulides was inducted into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame in 2016; and

WHEREAS, John Mamoulides is truly one of the brightest stars in the constellation comprised of Louisiana's historic political figures; he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his truly inspiring dedication to the community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend John Mamoulides for his years of public service; does hereby recognize and express its support for future legislation that would name the Jefferson Parish children's advocacy center in honor of Mr. Mamoulides; and does hereby claim him as one of Louisiana's most cherished sons.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES