

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 154

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Carl H. Stages, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Carl H. Stages, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement.

3 WHEREAS, Carl H. Stages, Jr., began his extensive career in Louisiana government
4 in 1979 as a legislative assistant; he served as a staff member for the Acadiana Delegation
5 of the state legislature in 1980; and

6 WHEREAS, Carl worked as the executive assistant to the secretary of state, James
7 H. "Jim" Brown, from 1981 through 1984, and as the executive assistant to Governor Edwin
8 Edwards from 1984 until 1988; he served as undersecretary of the Department of State in
9 1988; and

10 WHEREAS, Carl moved from state politics to serve as the executive director of the
11 Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank from June 1989 until October 2003; in 2002, the food bank
12 was awarded the Hunger's Hope Award for "Excellence in Food Rescue" which is a national
13 recognition bestowed by America's Second Harvest and is the highest honor granted in this
14 category of hunger relief; and

15 WHEREAS, Carl has served as executive director of the BREC Foundation since
16 2004; the foundation's mission is to support the Recreation and Park Commission in its
17 efforts to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of East Baton Rouge Parish through the
18 conservation and preservation of green spaces, recreational programs, and park facilities; and

19 WHEREAS, in addition to his extensive involvement in state and local government;
20 Carl has served as the governor of the Louisiana District of Pilot International, president of
21 the Inter-Civic Council of Baton Rouge, chairman of the East Baton Rouge Parish Board of

1 the Emergency Food and Shelter Program, and many other roles with a vast number of state
2 organizations and boards; he is a member of the Rotary Club of Baton Rouge, Council 4085
3 of the Knights of Columbus, the Main Street Pilot Club, the Louisiana Recreation and Park
4 Association, and the National Recreation and Park Association; and

5 WHEREAS, Carl has received numerous honors and awards for his incredible work
6 in the state, including being named in the Top 40 Under 40 by the Greater Baton Rouge
7 Business Report in 1994 and Outstanding Young Man of the Louisiana Jaycees in 1998; and

8 WHEREAS, Carl H. Stages, Jr., is a genuine servant of the state of Louisiana, and
9 he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his incredible contributions across the
10 state and in the city of Baton Rouge.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Carl H. Stages, Jr., on the occasion of his
13 retirement and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue to prosper in all of his
14 endeavors as he begins a new journey in retirement.

DIGEST

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