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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37

## BY SENATORS STINE, ABRAHAM AND REESE AND REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIAQUE, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, FARNUM, GEYMANN, ROMERO AND TARVER

COMMENDATIONS. Commends and congratulates Richard "Dick" Gremillion Sr., Director of Calcasieu Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, on the occasion of his retirement.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend and congratulate Richard "Dick" Gremillion Sr., director of Calcasieu Parish
3	Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, on the occasion of his
4	retirement.
5	WHEREAS, Dick Gremillion, a native of Alexandria, Louisiana, has been a resident
6	of Lake Charles since 1989, residing with his wife Fay Lou, a retired district supervisor for
7	the Louisiana Office of Vocational & Rehabilitation, and their children, Richard Jr. and
8	Andy; and
9	WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion's educational journey includes graduating from
10	Alexandria Senior High School in 1972, and earning a Bachelor of Science in Business
11	Administration from Northwestern State University in 1976, laying a strong foundation for
12	his career in emergency management and risk management; and
13	WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion has distinguished himself as a certified Louisiana
14	emergency manager and a professional member of the Louisiana Homeland Security and
15	Emergency Preparedness Director's Association, amassing an impressive forty-seven years
16	of experience in risk management, including thirteen years as a claims supervisor with
17	USF&G Insurance Co.; and
18	WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion's commitment to professional development and service

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is evident through his active memberships in numerous organizations, including but not
limited to the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), the National
Emergency Managers Association (NEMA), the Louisiana Emergency Preparedness
Association (LEPA), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), among many
others, showcasing his dedication to staying at the forefront of emergency preparedness and
management practices; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion's impact extends beyond his professional affiliations,
as he has served as a POST-certified reserve deputy with the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's
Office, contributed to the Louisiana Interoperability Executive Committee, and played key
roles in regional and national committees focused on emergency response, communications
planning, and homeland security, demonstrating his multi-faceted approach to ensuring
public safety and resilience; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his regular duties, in 1999, Mr. Gremillion was also
 named director of the Calcasieu Emergency Response Fire Training Center which provides
 emergency responders nationally recognized certification in fire, rescue, and hazardous
 materials training; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion's tenure with the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury since
1993, has been marked by unwavering dedication, leadership, and innovation in enhancing
emergency preparedness and response capabilities, earning him the respect and admiration
of colleagues and constituents alike; and

WHEREAS, after a nearly fifty year career, Dick Gremillion is retiring to spend
more time with his wife, Fay Lou, their children, Richard Jr. (Kayla) and Andy (Courtney),
and their grandchildren, Townes Marlowe and Charlie.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
commend and congratulate Richard "Dick" Gremillion Sr., director of Calcasieu Parish
Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, on the occasion of his well
deserved retirement and wish him only the best in the next chapter of his life.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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