

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

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

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

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Gremillion's tenure with the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury since
18 1993, has been marked by unwavering dedication, leadership, and innovation in enhancing
19 emergency preparedness and response capabilities, earning him the respect and admiration
20 of colleagues and constituents alike; and

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

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

