

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 167

BY SENATOR ALARIO

COMMENDATIONS. Commends R. Michael Lyons, general counsel for Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, for 36 years of outstanding service to Louisiana's oil and gas industry.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate R. Michael Lyons, general counsel of Louisiana Mid-  
3 Continent Oil and Gas Association, in recognition of thirty-six years of outstanding  
4 service to Louisiana's oil and gas industry.

5 WHEREAS, for thirty-six years, R. Michael Lyons has been employed by the  
6 Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association serving the oil and gas industry in  
7 Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico; and

8 WHEREAS, as the association's general counsel, he has served as the association's  
9 primary contact for all legal, legislative, and regulatory matters related to natural resources,  
10 oil and gas, and environmental issues; and

11 WHEREAS, during his career, Mike has been instrumental in lobbying major  
12 industry issues including the oil and gas processing tax, legacy lawsuits, oil spill legislation,  
13 rigs-to-reefs, Statewide Order 29-B, and air toxics legislation which were unique to  
14 Louisiana; and

15 WHEREAS, Mike Lyons' career has also spanned the entirety of the state's  
16 environmental regulatory development; and

17 WHEREAS, he has worked tirelessly during hurricanes representing industry at the  
18 state's Emergency Operations Center, and he was instrumental in securing a permanent seat

1 on behalf of the oil and gas industry at the Emergency Operations Center, providing  
2 critically important information impacting members' operations in Louisiana and the Gulf  
3 of Mexico during times of need; and

4 WHEREAS, Mike Lyons created and organized the Gulf of Mexico Coalition in  
5 1993, a coalition of business and industry across the Gulf Coast, to participate in the U.S.  
6 Environmental Protection Agency's Gulf of Mexico Program, and has served as the  
7 Chairman of the Gulf of Mexico Coalition since its inception, working tirelessly on its  
8 behalf; and

9 WHEREAS, his career has spanned three Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas  
10 Association presidents, twenty-one association chairmen, six governors, twelve Department  
11 of Natural Resources secretaries, nine commissioners of conservation, and ten Department  
12 of Environmental Quality secretaries; and

13 WHEREAS, Mike Lyons will be retiring in 2014 after a long and distinguished  
14 career as general counsel for the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, and  
15 where his knowledge and expertise will be sorely missed.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that R. Michael  
17 Lyons, general counsel of the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, is hereby  
18 commended and congratulated in recognition of his outstanding service to Louisiana's oil  
19 and gas industry and best wishes are hereby extended to him for continued good health and  
20 happiness in all future endeavors.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to R.  
22 Michael Lyons.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry Guillot.

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