

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 212

BY REPRESENTATIVE WESLEY BISHOP

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Aaron Brooks and John Carney on their election to the Saints Hall of Fame.

3 WHEREAS, Aaron Brooks became the Saints' starting quarterback in November  
4 2000, and six weeks later, he led the team to its first playoff victory, a thirty-one to twenty-  
5 eight point triumph over the defending Super Bowl champion, St. Louis Rams, in the  
6 Superdome; and

7 WHEREAS, hailing from the University of Virginia, Brooks would remain behind  
8 center in New Orleans for the next five seasons, starting a total of eighty-two regular-season  
9 games for the Black and Gold; and

10 WHEREAS, Brooks ended his Saints career by completing 56.4 percent of his passes  
11 for nineteen thousand one hundred fifty-six yards, one hundred twenty touchdowns, and  
12 eighty-four interceptions; and

13 WHEREAS, Brooks' touchdown total ranks second and his yardage total third in  
14 Saints history; however, his best season statistically was in 2003, when he completed a  
15 career-best 59.1 percent of his pass attempts and had an NFL-low interception rate of 1.5  
16 percent; and

17 WHEREAS, John Carney spent all or part of eight seasons with the Saints as part of  
18 a twenty-three year NFL career in which he became one of only three players in history to  
19 play in four decades and became one of only seven players to score more than two thousand  
20 career points; and

21 WHEREAS, hailing from Notre Dame, Carney connected on a franchise record 82.8  
22 percent of his field-goal attempts as a Saint, and his one hundred sixty-eight field goals  
23 made, two hundred three attempts, and seven hundred sixty-eight points scored all rank  
24 second in team history; and

1           WHEREAS, of the almost five hundred placement attempts in Carney’s career as a  
2           Saint, perhaps his most famous was the game-winning field goal in the 2005 season opener  
3           against the Carolina Panthers, thirteen days after the region was ravaged by Hurricane  
4           Katrina; and

5           WHEREAS, an image of Brooks congratulating Carney after his game-winning kick  
6           graced the cover of the September 19, 2005, issue of *Sports Illustrated*; and

7           WHEREAS, both men have brought distinction and honor to the NFL and  
8           specifically to the Saints; and

9           WHEREAS, Aaron Brooks and John Carney have been elected to the Saints Hall of  
10          Fame for the Class of 2014.

11          THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
12          congratulate Aaron Brooks and John Carney on their election to the New Orleans Saints Hall  
13          of Fame and commends them on their outstanding careers and the contributions they have  
14          made to the Saints, the city of New Orleans, and to the state of Louisiana.

15          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this resolution be transmitted  
16          to Mr. Aaron Brooks and Mr. John Carney.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE