

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Woods enjoyed many honors and accolades, including being chosen
2 as most valuable player in 1975, most outstanding player from 1974 to 1975, outstanding
3 player chosen by the student government in 1973, and outstanding athlete in 1972; and

4 WHEREAS, he graduated from Southern University with a bachelor of science
5 degree and a masters degree in recreation administration; and

6 WHEREAS, for twenty-four years, Mr. Woods worked for the West Baton Rouge
7 Parish Parks & Recreation Department; and

8 WHEREAS, after his retirement from the West Baton Rouge Parish Parks &
9 Recreation Department, he continued a fulfilling career as director of recreation at the
10 Louisiana School for the Visually Impaired; and

11 WHEREAS, while working for the Louisiana School for the Visually Impaired for
12 twenty-five years, Mr. Woods received the coach of the year award and was awarded keys
13 to the cities of Port Arthur, Texas, Jackson, Mississippi, and Grand Isle, Louisiana; he also
14 had the honor of coaching the only known blind biking team in the nation, and his team of
15 blind bikers rode over two thousand five hundred miles, completing their seven planned
16 biking trips through five states; and

17 WHEREAS, his work extended to Würzburg, Germany, where he shared successful
18 teaching techniques to faculty, staff, and students; while working in Germany, he was made
19 an honorary citizen; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Woods also served as a certified state instructor and professional
21 motor coach trainer for motor coaches and buses, and he has trained over five hundred eighty
22 students in the classroom and behind the wheel; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout his twenty-four years of service with West Baton Rouge
24 Parish, Mr. Woods served thousands of children, seniors, and adults; and

25 WHEREAS, his passion for sports led him to direct the National Hershey Track and
26 Field Program; he was appointed as a national coach and listed in the Hershey Track and
27 Field Hall of Fame; and

28 WHEREAS, having a heart for his community, Mr. Woods began several day camps,
29 aerobic fitness classes, pool tournaments, and horseshoe tournaments in West Baton Rouge
30 Parish; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Woods was awarded a land and water conservation grant for West
2 Baton Rouge Parish to help form various developments such as Joe Myhand Park, Landen
3 Alexander Park, Lukeville Park, Tombstone Park, Brusly High School baseball fields and
4 tennis courts, Brusly Middle School tennis courts, Rivault Park, and William and Lee Park;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, in recognition of his extraordinary community efforts, he was awarded
7 honorary citizenship from the cities of Plaquemine and St. Gabriel; and

8 WHEREAS, in addition to his many other outstanding achievements, Mr. Woods
9 received the highest awards presented by the Louisiana Recreation and Park Association and
10 the National Recreation and Park Association, such as the Fellow Award and Professional
11 Citation recognition; he has also served as president of the Louisiana Recreation and Park
12 Association and president of the National Recreation and Park Association; and

13 WHEREAS, he is the loving husband of Sadie Payne Woods and the proud father of
14 Stacey A. Woods; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Woods merits a sincere measure of commendation for his
16 distinguished career as a basketball star at Southern University, for the outstanding honor
17 of being inducted into the Southern University Sports Hall of Fame, and for his
18 extraordinary community service.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
20 commend LeeDell Woods, Jr., upon his induction into Southern University Sports Hall of
21 Fame; does hereby congratulate Mr. Woods as he celebrates this memorable and historic
22 occasion; and does hereby extend to him every good wish for success and happiness in all
23 his future endeavors.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
25 to LeeDell Woods, Jr.

DIGEST

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