

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 148

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Marvin McFarland for his service and involvement in the Deputies Making a Change youth mentoring program

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Corporal Marvin McFarland for his service and involvement in the Ouachita  
3 Parish Sheriff's Office Deputies Making a Change youth mentoring program.

4 WHEREAS, Deputies Making a Change (DMAC) is a program with the laudable  
5 goal of reducing the incarceration rate among young children in Ouachita Parish; the  
6 deputies of DMAC provide mentoring relationships to youth who are failing in school, at  
7 risk of being incarcerated, or who have problems with authority; and

8 WHEREAS, DMAC deputies use their knowledge, experience, and a plethora of  
9 physical fitness and life skill tools to enhance the thinking ability of young people and to  
10 promote positive behaviors; each DMAC deputy is tasked with instilling in the youth the  
11 seven core values of the program: discipline, education, accountability, commitment,  
12 motivation, respect for authority, and self reliance; and

13 WHEREAS, the farming background of Marvin McFarland prepared him well for  
14 the hard work and discipline necessary to reach at-risk youth; he grew up a son of farm life  
15 in Baskin; and

16 WHEREAS, at the age of twenty-one, McFarland began his law enforcement career  
17 at the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office; he acquired valuable skills in community work and  
18 attained the rank of corporal; Corporal McFarland's work with Deputies Making a Change  
19 has enriched the youth of Ouachita Parish, and it is appropriate to acknowledge his efforts  
20 to improve the lives of young people in the neighborhoods of the parish.

1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
2           Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Corporal Marvin McFarland for sowing  
3           seeds of change into the lives of at-risk youth in Ouachita Parish and does hereby express  
4           best hopes for continued success with Deputies Making a Change.

5           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
6           to Corporal Marvin McFarland.

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DIGEST

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