

2016 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

BY REPRESENTATIVES SMITH AND MARCELLE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Girlfriends Pray ministry for encouraging, inspiring, motivating, and empowering women through prayer.

WHEREAS, Girlfriends Pray is one of the fastest growing ministries for women of faith; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2009, Dee Marshall, the founder of Girlfriends Pray, gathered thirty-three women on a conference line for prayer to support girlfriends experiencing difficult times during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, 2010 marked the official launch of the weekday prayer for Girlfriends Pray, along with a breakfast book club; and

WHEREAS, Girlfriends Pray received the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Community and Faith Based Initiative Award and has been featured in *Gospel Today* magazine; and

WHEREAS, Girlfriends Pray has become a global ministry with over two hundred thousand women and has a physical presence in more than thirty cities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Girlfriends Pray merits a special measure of commendation for uniting hundreds of thousands of women through prayer.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Girlfriends Pray ministry for encouraging, inspiring, motivating, and empowering women through prayer and does hereby recognize its efforts to unite hundreds of thousands of women through prayer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Dee Marshall, founder of Girlfriends Pray.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES