

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 69

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUSTIN MILLER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Charles W. Ross for his many accomplishments and recognizes the April 29, 2017, observance of Charles W. Ross Day in Opelousas

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Charles W. Ross for his many civic accomplishments and to recognize the
3 observance of Charles W. Ross Day on April 29, 2017, in the city of Opelousas.

4 WHEREAS, Charles W. Ross was born to Beatrice Mantell, a single mother, and was
5 raised in Opelousas; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Ross married his high school sweetheart, Wilda Alsandor, on
7 April 7, 1955, and he has been blessed with four sons, eight grandchildren, and one
8 great-grandchild; and

9 WHEREAS, Charles Ross answered the call of duty to his country and served in the
10 United States Army from 1953-1955 and was discharged honorably; and

11 WHEREAS, he received a bachelor's degree in secondary education and a master's
12 degree in education with a specialization in guidance from Southern University; from there,
13 Mr. Ross launched a long and distinguished career in education: from 1959-1971, Charles
14 Ross taught history at Washington Elementary School and Dunbar High School; from
15 1970-1972, he served on the board of Holy Ghost High School; from 1971-1984, he was a
16 counselor at Washington High School; from 1974-1976, Mr. Ross served on the board at
17 Opelousas Catholic High School; from 1978-1984, he was a counselor at the St. Landry
18 Parish Group Home for boys; and from 1985-1991, he was the principal of East Junior High
19 School; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Ross was an assistant to Mayor John Joseph and supervisor of all
2 Opelousas City Department heads from 1991-1994; he also served as a member of the
3 St. Landry Parish Head Start board of directors; and

4 WHEREAS, Charles Ross is a board member of CASA of St. Landry-Evangeline,
5 Inc. and the St. Landry Federal Credit Union and a member of the St. Landry Parish school
6 board; and

7 WHEREAS, Charles W. Ross has been a member of St. Mark United Methodist
8 Church since 1934 and is a lay leader and a member of the Male Group and the choir; and

9 WHEREAS, in honor of his many contributions to Opelousas and St. Landry Parish,
10 Mayor Reginald Tatum and the Board of Alderman of Opelousas have proclaimed April 29,
11 2017, as Charles W. Ross Day in the city, and it is fitting to salute this fine son of Louisiana
12 upon the observance of his special day.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
14 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Charles W. Ross for his educational, civic,
15 and religious contributions to the Opelousas community and does hereby express best hopes
16 for a happy observance of Charles W. Ross Day on Saturday, April 29, 2017, in the city of
17 Opelousas.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
19 to Charles W. Ross.

DIGEST

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Commends Charles W. Ross on the Apr. 29, 2017, observance of Charles W. Ross Day in Opelousas.