

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79

BY SENATOR LONG AND REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Calvin Borel on being named to the 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in Natchitoches, Louisiana, each year collaborates with the Louisiana Sports Writers Association in selecting a limited number of sports figures who embody the character, skill, and talents worthy of being named to the hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class includes legendary jockey Calvin Borel; and

WHEREAS, Calvin Borel was born on November 7, 1966, grew up in St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, where he began racing in the bush tracks at the age of eight; and

WHEREAS, he began his professional riding career at the Delta Downs Racetrack in Vinton, Louisiana, where he spent twenty-five years and earned the nickname "Bo-rail" because of his penchant for settling in along the rail in a race in order to cover the shortest distance possible; and

WHEREAS, during his stellar career, he has won the Kentucky Derby three times, in 2007, 2009, and 2010, earning him the distinction as the only person to have piloted three Kentucky Derby winners in a four year span; and

WHEREAS, his skill as one of the foremost jockeys in the country has earned him numerous wins and titles, including the Breeders Cup Juvenile in 2006, the Preakness Stakes in 2009, and in 2010 he was named the winner of the George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award; and

WHEREAS, over the years he has had more than five thousand one hundred forty-six career wins, which ranks him twenty-seventh all time in North American racing history, and has netted more than \$127 million in purse money from thirty-four thousand nine hundred fifteen mounts; and

WHEREAS, the successful jockey career of Calvin Borel has rightly earned him a place among the many greats in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Calvin Borel on being named to the 2017 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Class.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Calvin Borel.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES