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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 231

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Steve Riley upon his 2017 induction into the Louisiana Folklife Center Hall of Master Folk Artists

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend Steve Riley upon his 2017 induction into the Louisiana Folklife Center Hall
3	of Master Folk Artists.
4	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Folklife Center is an agency of Northwestern State
5	University of Louisiana and was established in 1976; and
6	WHEREAS, the mission of the Louisiana Folklife Center is to identify, document,
7	and present Louisiana's rich history of folklore and folklife; and
8	WHEREAS, Steve Riley is the living embodiment of the mission of the Louisiana
9	Folklife Center, as he is widely acknowledged as the master of the Cajun accordion and its
0	singularly powerful sound; and
1	WHEREAS, originating in Mamou, Louisiana, Steve Riley and his comrades, the
12	Mamou Playboys, have performed throughout the world from Cajun dance halls to the XXI
13	Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, from the American
4	Folklife Festival to the Newport Folk Festival, and from shows such as Prairie Home
15	Companion to the National Public Radio's Tiny Desk Concert Series; and
16	WHEREAS, Steve Riley has set a standard in his art by which timing, phrasing, and
17	ingenuity are measured on the royal instrument of South Louisiana; and
18	WHEREAS, a credit to their enormous talent that makes the people of Louisiana
19	proud to call them native sons, Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys are four-time Grammy
20	Award finalists; and

1 WHEREAS, Steve Riley won a Grammy Award for Best Regional Roots Music 2 Album for "Steve Riley with the Band Courtbouillion"; and 3 WHEREAS, Steve Riley was named Best Accordionist by "OffBeat Magazine" in 4 2011; and 5 WHEREAS, in addition to the Grammy Award nominations, the win, and other 6 national recognition, Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys have been honored locally for 7 their talent as four-time winners of the Cajun Music French Association Band of the Year; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, Steve Riley merits a special measure of commendation upon his 2017 10 induction into the Louisiana Folklife Center Hall of Master Folk Artists. 11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Steve Riley upon his 2017 induction into the 13 Louisiana Folklife Center Hall of Master Folk Artists, does congratulate him on his 14 prestigious honors and awards, and does extend to him every good wish for continued 15 success, prosperity, and happiness in the future. 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

DIGEST

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to Steve Riley.

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