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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 77

BY SENATOR PERRY

COMMENDATIONS. Commends and congratulates Vermilion Bank on its sixtieth anniversary.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend and congratulate Vermilion Bank on its sixtieth anniversary.
3	WHEREAS, in 1957, Paul E. Eleazar had the foresight to organize a locally owned
4	bank to better serve the Kaplan community and surrounding area; and
5	WHEREAS, he and other investors contributed \$350,000.00 in capital and opened
6	Vermilion Bank & Trust Company on March 8, 1958; and
7	WHEREAS, the bank was organized to give the residents of Kaplan and people in
8	the area an option to do banking with more than one bank in the community; and
9	WHEREAS, the founding directors were Feray Clark, Paul E. Eleazar, Jack Kaplan,
10	Billy Matthews, Louis Roy, Peter Paul Trahan, Laines Vincent, and Lyman Vincent; and
11	WHEREAS, the philosophy of the bank then and now is that banking is about
12	relationships, not just products and technology; and
13	WHEREAS, even so, the bank's online banking and bill payer services are some of
14	the best offered by any bank, and will suit most all banking needs; and
15	WHEREAS, Vermilion Bank supports the community in numerous ways with many
16	of its staff members actively involved in local civic organizations and the bank has loaned
17	more of its assets to the community and surrounding area than any local bank in Kaplan; and
18	WHEREAS, present bank directors are Blake Williams, President & CEO,

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1	Joseph Couvillon, Executive Vice-President, Lyman Vincent, Chairman of the Board,
2	James E. Benoit, and Paul Roy Eleazar; and
3	WHEREAS, it is appropriate that gratitude and thanks be expressed to the founders,
4	cofounders, and investors of Vermilion Bank for making dreams become reality, and
5	because of their firm belief and dedication, Vermilion Bank has grown to an average of \$110
6	million.
7	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
8	does hereby commend and congratulate Vermilion Bank on its sixtieth anniversary.
9	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
10	Blake Williams, President & CEO of Vermilion Bank.
	The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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