

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79

BY SENATOR LONG

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Newell D. Normand upon his induction into the Louisiana Political Museum and Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Political Museum and Hall of Fame in Winnfield, Louisiana, each year inducts a limited number of political figures who embody the character, talent, and charisma that have influenced Louisiana political culture; and

WHEREAS, after a forty-year career in law enforcement and now a radio talk show host, Newell D. Normand has become one of the most outspoken and prominent contemporary voices in state politics; and

WHEREAS, Newell D. Normand graduated from Jesuit High School in New Orleans in 1977, received a bachelor of science degree from the University of New Orleans, and a law degree from Tulane University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, he began his legal career working in the Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff's Office and then as an administrative aide for the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, honest, capable, and outspoken, he continued to climb the ranks, serving in various capacities, including chief financial officer and chief criminal deputy; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, he was elected sheriff of Jefferson Parish, and as the leader of the department, was celebrated by the deputies he commanded and the citizens he protected for his unwavering smarts and emotional intelligence; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2017, he retired and became a star talk show host and commentator on WWL Radio in New Orleans, where he continues to offer his insight and wisdom on Louisiana politics and culture; and

WHEREAS, of all his successes, none is greater or more important than his loving marriage to Shawn Bridgewater Normand and their two loving children, John Taylor and Sarah Elizabeth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Newell D. Normand upon his induction into the Louisiana Political Museum and Hall of Fame.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Newell D. Normand.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES