

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 202

BY REPRESENTATIVES DANAHAAY, ABRAHAM, ARMES, DWIGHT, FRANKLIN,
GUINN, HENSGENS, AND HILL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Eugene "Gene" Bouquet upon his retirement as an indigent defender in Calcasieu Parish.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Eugene "Gene" Bouquet as he prepares to retire after a highly productive twenty-five year tenure defending the indigent citizens of Calcasieu Parish; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bouquet is the son of Edward Bouquet and Dorothy Mae Hebert; he graduated from Iowa High School and received a bachelors degree from McNeese State University; he then graduated from LSU Law School and was admitted to the Louisiana Bar in 1975; and

WHEREAS, Gene Bouquet has served as Conflicts Counsel for the 14th Judicial District Court Indigent Defender Board for more than twenty-five years, devoting his legal practice to representing persons charged with crimes who were unable to afford paid counsel; and

WHEREAS, he has also been town counsel for the town of Iowa for many years; and

WHEREAS, he has served the citizens of Calcasieu Parish with distinction, wisdom, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bouquet is an active member of St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Iowa where he is a lector and serves on the Advisory Board; he also participates in ACTS ministry and Fishers of Men for Christ; and

WHEREAS, he is a proud member of the Kiwanis Club of Lake Charles, current president of the Silky Terrier Club of America, and is on the board of directors and a past president of the Calcasieu Kennel Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bouquet merits a special measure of commendation for his outstanding accomplishments and his ever unselfish service to the citizens of Calcasieu Parish and the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Eugene "Gene" Bouquet upon his retirement after twenty-five years of dedicated service as an indigent defender; does hereby express enduring gratitude for his extraordinary career of providing legal representation to those who could not afford it; and does hereby extend to him best wishes for full measures of success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Eugene "Gene" Bouquet.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES