

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 241

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To commend the United Cajun Navy and its founder, Todd Terrell, for outstanding service to the citizens of Louisiana impacted by the historic flooding of Louisiana in 2016.

WHEREAS, after organizing efforts to rescue citizens in Texas after Hurricane Harvey, Todd Terrell decided to form the United Cajun Navy; and

WHEREAS, the United Cajun Navy was founded upon the principles that unity is strength and neighbors are proud to help out neighbors during times of need; and

WHEREAS, in following these principles, Mr. Terrell and the United Cajun Navy volunteers have assisted citizens of Louisiana impacted by the historic flooding of Louisiana in 2016 by programs such as "Come Home for Christmas" and the distribution and installation of free smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, "Come Home for Christmas" was a program run by United Cajun Navy and Family First Recovery Group with the purpose of getting as many people as possible back in their once-flooded homes prior to Christmas 2017; and

WHEREAS, as of December 17, 2017, more than one hundred people signed up and at least a dozen were home just in time for Christmas 2017; and

WHEREAS, in response to a spike in fire-related accidents in early January 2018, United Cajun Navy partnered with Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome, the American Red Cross, the Cajun Army, the Baton Rouge Fire Department, the Louisiana State Fire Marshal, and faith-based organizations to install free smoke alarms for residents of East Baton Rouge Parish; and

WHEREAS, by the end of January 2018, more than one thousand smoke alarms were installed throughout East Baton Rouge Parish; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall success of American society depend, in great measure, upon people like Todd Terrell and the United Cajun Navy volunteers who jumped into action to rescue citizens in Texas and assisted citizens of Louisiana impacted by the historic flooding of Louisiana in 2016.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the United Cajun Navy and its founder, Todd Terrell, for outstanding service to the citizens of Louisiana impacted by the historic flooding of Louisiana in 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Todd Terrell, founder of the United Cajun Navy.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE