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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 176

BY REPRESENTATIVES ABRAHAM, DWIGHT, AND MOSS

 $COMMENDATIONS: \ Commends\ Eddie\ Mormon\ of\ Lake\ Charles\ for\ his\ accomplishments$ 

A RESOLUTION

| To commend Eddie Mormon of Lake Charles for his artistic accomplishments.                       |
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| WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Eddie Mormon, a painter in Lake Charles,                  |
| for his excellence as an artist and a citizen; and  |
| WHEREAS, Eddie Mormon was born and raised in Lake Charles and was inspired                      |
| to be an artist since the age of five, which is when he began bringing to life the pictures he  |
| saw in his mind's eye with dirt and sticks; and   |
| WHEREAS, as a freshman at W.O. Boston High School in Lake Charles, Eddie won                    |
| second place in a statewide art contest and realized he was truly an artist; and                |
| WHEREAS, he made his living on the docks of the Port of Lake Charles as a                       |
| stevedore for twenty years, unloading ships just as his father did, until a terrible waterfront |
| accident left him injured; he then picked up his oils and knives again to follow his true       |
| passion; and  |
| WHEREAS, he began to sell his paintings from the trunk of his car to friends and                |
| family until he started a fan base and could work as an artist professionally; now his          |
| creations are displayed in galleries and universities across the United States including        |
| Colorado, Louisiana, New York, Oregon, and Texas; his pieces have been shown as far away        |
| as Paris and Madrid; and  |
| WHEREAS, Eddie's unique style of painting is accomplished using special knives                  |
| and thick oil paints to create his signature style of colorful, heavy, broad strokes; and       |
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1 WHEREAS, Eddie begins his mornings early, praying and focusing on his artistic 2 vision; he enjoys his creative process alone in the studio every day; he creates more than two 3 hundred fifty works a year; and 4 WHEREAS, he signs every canvas "Rock" Eddie Mormon, using a nickname given 5 to him by his father; and 6 WHEREAS, Eddie Mormon is moved by God's handiwork in nature, especially 7 flowers, landscapes, and people, and he has a generous nature and a truly giving spirit; he 8 often donates paintings for auctions or fundraisers; and 9 WHEREAS, he lives with his adoring wife, Monica; they have three daughters and 10 seven grandchildren. 11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Eddie Mormon of Lake Charles for his 13 outstanding artistic accomplishments, does hereby recognize and record for posterity his 14 extraordinary gifts as an artist, and does hereby extend to him best wishes for continued 15 success and happiness in all of his future endeavors. 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Eddie 17 Mormon.

## DIGEST

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