

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16

BY SENATOR FOIL

COMMENDATIONS Commends Captain Kenneth Wayne Martin upon his promotion to Uniform Patrol Commander in the Baton Rouge Police Department.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Captain Kenneth Wayne Martin of the Baton Rouge Police Department upon  
3 his promotion to Uniform Patrol Commander.

4 WHEREAS, Wayne Martin is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and grew up in  
5 North Baton Rouge as an only child; and

6 WHEREAS, Captain Martin graduated from Redemptorist High School in 1982 and  
7 he is fifty-five years of age; and

8 WHEREAS, he has been married to the love of his life, Catherine, for thirty-one  
9 years and they have four children and thirteen grandchildren who are all the light of his life;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Captain Martin joined the Baton Rouge Police Department in 1992 and  
12 graduated at the top of his academy class; and

13 WHEREAS, since joining the department, Wayne Martin has worked in Uniform  
14 Patrol, the K-9 Unit, and as a member of the SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) team;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, he holds the rank of captain and was recently promoted to the position  
17 of Uniform Patrol Commander; and

18 WHEREAS, throughout his twenty-six years working in the K-9 Unit, Captain

1 Martin partnered with four different police dogs and was the commander of that unit for  
2 seven years; and

3 WHEREAS, during his tenure in the K-9 Unit, Captain Martin and his veteran K-9  
4 team were so exceptional that they were certified by the United States Police Canine  
5 Association to train other departments' K-9 units and he and his partner were awarded the  
6 "Region 10 Top Dog" honor five times; and

7 WHEREAS, while only a sergeant, Wayne Martin was selected to attend and  
8 successfully completed the Northwestern University Police Staff and Command course, an  
9 indication of his intention to be a leader in the department and his commitment to it as well;  
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11 WHEREAS, in 2004, Captain Martin was named "Police Officer of the Year"; and

12 WHEREAS, he served twenty-four years in the SWAT Unit and was an operational  
13 commander upon his retirement from that unit; and

14 WHEREAS, Captain Martin is a devoted Christian and he states that, "God is the  
15 most important aspect of my life. I strongly believe that we should put ourselves second in  
16 everything in life. God is first. Family, friends, co-workers, and even strangers' needs should  
17 always come first"; and

18 WHEREAS, Wayne Martin lives those words in his life and work every day and his  
19 attitude and the depth of feeling and concern he has for others have been key in his selfless  
20 service with the Baton Rouge Police Department; and

21 WHEREAS, with over twenty years' experience in both the SWAT and K-9 Units  
22 and having served as commander of those two demanding units, Captain Wayne Martin has  
23 shown both his exceptional ability to command and his unquestioned dedication to the police  
24 department, both qualities to be respected and commended as he advances to the position of  
25 Uniform Patrol Commander.

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
27 does hereby commend Captain Kenneth Wayne Martin of the Baton Rouge Police  
28 Department upon his promotion to Uniform Patrol Commander.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
30 Captain Kenneth Wayne Martin of the Baton Rouge Police Department.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Mary Dozier O'Brien.

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