

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

BY SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Tommy Little for his volunteer work and for being named a 2021 Champion of Service by Volunteer Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Champion of Service Award is given to any person, group, or business that has made an outstanding contribution to their community and has demonstrated compassion, dedication, leadership, initiative, innovation, and creativity in addressing community challenges and serving others; and

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2021, Mr. Tommy Little was presented the 2021 Champion of Service Award for his service to the southwest region of the state and for his ability to serve the residents of the region with strong leadership to successfully address the challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic and hurricanes Laura and Delta; and

WHEREAS, since 1968, Mr. Little has resided in Sulphur and has engaged in a wide variety of service activities benefitting the residents of southwest Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Little began his service to the community by helping residents who experienced flooding after Hurricane Harvey and has continued to serve the residents of the region ever since; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Little can be found working behind the scenes at most major Sulphur festivals, including the Christmas Under the Oaks Festival and the Stars and Stripes in the Park Classic Car Show, but his main focus is engaging with Sulphur's senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, when COVID-19 affected programs for seniors like Food for Seniors and bingo, he went above and beyond to ensure those senior programs were able to safely continue; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Little made it his priority to ensure the Food for Seniors program had all of the extra sanitation products and personal protective equipment it needed to safely provide food to seniors through the newly created drive-thru program; and

WHEREAS, when the weekly bingo games for seniors could no longer be safely played inside, he worked with city officials to create Parking Lot Bingo, a program where seniors could play bingo without leaving their vehicles; and

WHEREAS, after hurricanes Laura and Delta, Mr. Little organized volunteers to conduct check-ins on residents affected by the storms, and when it was safe, he began helping residents repair their homes and navigate the recovery process; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Little played a critical and vital role in the post-hurricane days by connecting needs with resources; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tommy Little has selflessly dedicated his time and service to his community and deserves recognition for being named a 2021 Champion of Service by Volunteer Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Tommy Little for all of his service and volunteer work in his community and for receiving the Volunteer Louisiana 2021 Champion of Service Award for the southwest region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mr. Tommy Little.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES