

2022 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69

BY SENATORS CORTEZ AND CATHEY

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Franklin J. Foil on his retirement from the Navy Reserves.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Honorable Franklin J. Foil on the occasion of his retirement after thirty
3 years of service in the United States Navy.

4 WHEREAS, Franklin J. Foil, son of Frank and Judith Foil, was born and raised in
5 Baton Rouge where he earned varsity letters in football, tennis, and cross country in high
6 school; and

7 WHEREAS, after attaining his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Louisiana State
8 University and graduating from Loyola University New Orleans School of Law, Franklin
9 received his commission in 1991 in the United States Navy as an officer in Judge Advocate
10 General's (JAG) Corps and soon afterwards completed Officer Candidate School and the
11 Naval Justice School in Newport, Rhode Island; and

12 WHEREAS, then Lieutenant Junior Grade Foil served on active duty at the
13 Washington Navy Yard and was next stationed at the Naval Air Station Pensacola from 1993
14 to 1995; and

15 WHEREAS, Senator Foil continued to serve his country in the United States Navy
16 Reserve as a JAG officer upon his return to Baton Rouge where he served his community
17 and state as an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church, the representative from District 70
18 from 2008 to 2020, and now as the senator from District 16 since 2020; and

1 WHEREAS, it was in Baton Rouge where he and his wife of thirty years, Tanja Foil,
2 raised their family of three children, Kathleen, Grace, and Andy; and

3 WHEREAS, during his time in the United States Navy Reserve, Franklin J. Foil rose
4 to the rank of Captain in 2009, was the commanding officer of the Naval Reserve Legal
5 Office at the Naval Support Activity in Memphis, Tennessee, and later commanded the
6 Naval Reserve Legal Office in Washington D.C. that provided legal services to Navy,
7 Marine Corps, and Coast Guard service members and their dependents to support fleet
8 readiness; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2013, Captain Foil was selected as a military trial judge by the
10 Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Navy and held three trial judge positions in the
11 Navy-Marine Corps Trial Judiciary where he presided over general court martials with
12 worldwide jurisdiction; and

13 WHEREAS, four years later, Captain Foil was appointed as an appellate judge at the
14 Navy and Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals in Washington, D.C., where he reviewed
15 Navy and Marine Corps cases appealed worldwide; and

16 WHEREAS, the United States Navy recognized Captain Foil for serving our nation
17 with distinction by presenting him with the Rear Admiral Hugh H. Howell Jr. Award for
18 Excellence in 2007, and, in 2021, the Legion of Merit Award from the President of the
19 United States for superior performance of duties culminated during his thirty years of
20 honorable and dedicated military service; and

21 WHEREAS, even while receiving the Legion of Merit Award recognizing his
22 exceptional level of meritorious conduct, Captain Foil was the epitome of selfless service
23 by stating it had been a privilege to serve; and

24 WHEREAS, it is without question that Captain Foil is a genuine servant of the people
25 and his commitment to the protection of the United States of America and its people is most
26 deserving of recognition.

27 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
28 commend Senator Franklin J. Foil on the occasion of his retirement after thirty years of
29 meritorious service in the United States Navy; congratulate him for achieving the rank of
30 captain; does hereby express the most genuine appreciation for Captain Foil's dedication to

1 serving his country, his fellow sailors and marines, and his fellow Americans; and does
2 hereby extend sincere wishes to him and his family for continued good health and prosperity.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
4 Senator Franklin J. Foil.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tyler S. McCloud.

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