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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE AND SENATOR HENSGENS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Mayor Mark Piazza of Abbeville on the occasion of his retirement from civil service

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend Mayor Mark Piazza of Abbeville on the occasion of his retirement from civil
3	service.
4	WHEREAS, Mayor Mark Piazza has dedicated more than three decades of service
5	to municipal government; he is a lifelong resident of Abbeville and the son of Paul and
6	Felecie "Pete" Piazza; he and his siblings grew up in their family business, Piazza's Office
7	Supply; and
8	WHEREAS, Mayor Piazza is a graduate of Vermilion Catholic High School and the
9	University of Southwestern Louisiana; he met his wife, Suzanne Harrington Piazza, while
10	in college, and they have two sons, Charles and Christopher; and
11	WHEREAS, Mayor Piazza served for twelve years on the Abbeville city council
12	prior to his election as mayor in 2002; he dedicated a total of thirty-two years to public
13	service; and
14	WHEREAS, throughout his career in public service, Mayor Piazza served on
15	countless boards including the Municipal Employees' Retirement System and the Louisiana
16	Municipal Association; he is also a member of the Abbeville Kiwanis Club and the Giant
17	Omelette Celebration; and
18	WHEREAS, Mayor Piazza was instrumental in creating Lafitte Drive-in-Park, Keep
19	Abbeville Beautiful, the Abbeville Main Street Program, Harmony Park, the Sam Guarino
20	Blacksmith Shop Museum, the Military Hall of Fame Museum, the Abbeville Parks and

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Recreation Department, and the Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission; he also played an

instrumental role in establishing Sounds on the Square; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Piazza also served as chairman of the Vermilion Chamber and

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on the occasion of his retirement.

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the Louisiana Cattle Festival Association, as parish director of Boy Scouts of America, and in many other civic leadership roles; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Piazza facilitated numerous improvements to Abbeville's infrastructure throughout his tenure as mayor, including upgrading the Chris Crusta Airport Terminal and the city's drainage and utilities; he is most deserving of the highest recognition

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Mayor Mark Piazza of Abbeville on the occasion of his retirement from civil service and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue to prosper as he begins a new and productive phase in his life.

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