

2023 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

COMMENDATIONS. Commends LSU Shreveport chancellor Larry Clark on his retirement.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend LSU Shreveport chancellor Larry Clark on his retirement.

3 WHEREAS, Larry Clark was born in Freeport, Illinois; and

4 WHEREAS, Larry Clark earned a B.A. in economics from Knox College, a juris
5 doctorate from the John Marshall Law School, and a L.L.M. in taxation from DePaul
6 University; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark served as an army captain/judge advocate general from 1975
8 to 1978 and continued in this role as a reservist until 1984 and while serving Mr. Clark was
9 also an advisor to the Presidential Clemency Board in 1978; and

10 WHEREAS, Larry Clark originally joined LSU Shreveport as a faculty member in
11 August, 1981, and excelled in this role until his appointment as the dean of LSU Shreveport
12 business school in 1985 and served as dean until 1994; and

13 WHEREAS, Larry Clark was a two time executive board member of the Shreveport
14 Chamber of Commerce, served as a member of the Shreveport Biracial Commission, the
15 Black-White Communications Task Force, the Louisiana Commission on Corporations
16 Advisory Committee, and the Shreveport Rotary Club; and

17 WHEREAS, Larry Clark was the chair of the Leadership Council, the Mayor's Space
18 Study Task Force, under mayor Hazel Beard, and the vice chair of United Way; and

1 WHEREAS, Larry Clark was also a moderator for *Dateline Shreveport*; and

2 WHEREAS, from 1994 to 2000 Clark served as the dean of the School of Business
3 and Economics at Sonoma State University; and

4 WHEREAS, Larry Clark became the dean of the business school at UNC
5 Wilmington from 2000 to 2014; and

6 WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments, Larry Clark was once the youngest
7 lead author of a business textbook, *Law and Business*, published by McGraw-Hill; and

8 WHEREAS, Larry Clark's tenure at LSU Shreveport has seen record-breaking
9 enrollment, growing from three thousand eight hundred ten students in spring, 2014 to over
10 eight thousand seven hundred students in Fall 2022, received national acclaim for its
11 academic programs, and undergone a revitalization of the campus, including new facilities
12 such as the Student Success Center, Veterans Resource Center, Cyber Collaboratory, and
13 Human Performance Lab; and

14 WHEREAS, Larry Clark is a current board member of Step Forward, the Strategic
15 Action Council, the Noel Foundation, and the LSU Shreveport Foundation Board; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark is a current advisory board member of the Norwela Council
17 of the Boy Scouts of America, is a member of the Committee of 100, the Military Affairs
18 Council, and the Downtown Rotary Club; and

19 WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career Larry Clark has received numerous
20 awards, including the LSU Shreveport Outstanding Faculty Award, the President's Award
21 for the American Business Law Association, the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce
22 Outstanding Volunteer Award for Economic Development, and the Southern University
23 Shreveport Louisiana 2016 Southern Gentlemen Award; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark was the recipient of the 2023 Greater Shreveport Chamber
25 of Commerce Business Person of the Year award; and

26 WHEREAS, when he is not engaged in community service or professional
27 stewardship, Larry Clark is an avid reader, runner, and enthusiast of wines and the Tucker
28 automobile; and

29 WHEREAS, Mr. Clark is married to Georgia A. Clark and has two step daughters,
30 Susan and Michelle, and four step grand-children.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
2 commend LSU Shreveport chancellor Larry Clark on his retirement.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
4 chancellor Larry Clark.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Nicholas Davison .

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