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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 71

## BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG

## COMMENDATIONS: Commends Martin Lemelle on his appointment as president of Grambling State University

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Martin Lemelle on his appointment as president of Grambling State
3	University.
4	WHEREAS, Martin Lemelle graduated from Grambling State University in 2006;
5	he is a third-generation graduate who grew up around Grambling icons such as legendary
6	football Coach Eddie Robinson and baseball Coach Elbert Willis; and
7	WHEREAS, Dr. Lemelle served as the executive vice president and chief financial
8	officer of Grambling State University when Rick Gallot took over as president in 2016;
9	during this time, he helped reverse the steep decline of Grambling's financial health, and the
10	university's fiscal health score increased by 200%; the university also launched new
11	programs in cybersecurity, cloud computing, and nursing while he served as second in
12	command; and
13	WHEREAS, Dr. Lemelle most recently served as the executive vice president and
14	chief financial officer of the Maryland Institute College of Art; he will now serve as the
15	eleventh president of Grambling State University, securing a lifelong dream of serving the
16	university at the highest level; and
17	WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Lemelle is most deserving of the highest recognition for his
18	incredible dedication to Grambling State University and for his outstanding career in
19	education.
20	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Martin Lemelle on his appointment as

- 1 president of Grambling State University and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he
- 2 continue to prosper in all of his endeavors as the head of one of the nation's signature
- 3 historically black colleges and universities.

## DIGEST

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