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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69

BY SENATORS MIGUEZ AND COUSSAN AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Police Officer Hali Bradford on receipt of the prestigious TOP COPS Award®.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Police Officer Hali Bradford on receipt of the prestigious TOP COPS
3	Award®.
4	WHEREAS, each year since 1994, the National Association of Police (NAPO) has
5	presented the TOP COPS Awards® Ceremony; and
6	WHEREAS, the purpose of the TOP COPS Award® is to educate the American
7	public about our nation's heroes and to pay tribute to law enforcement from across the
8	country for actions above and beyond the call of duty during the preceding year; and
9	WHEREAS, an independent Awards Selection Committee comprised of national law
10	enforcement representatives select, from hundreds of nominations submitted by fellow
11	officers, one TOP COP case from each of the fifty states of the United States and each of the
12	U.S. territories, and officers from the top ten cases submitted are selected as TOP COPS
13	Awards® Winners; and
14	WHEREAS, five police officers from the Lafayette Police Department have won the
15	prestigious TOP COPS Award® as a result of their actions to save lives; and
16	WHEREAS, Police Officer Hali Bradford has worked with the Lafayette Police
17	Department since December 17, 2020, assigned to the Lafayette Police Department's
18	uniformed patrol division in precinct 4; she is a member of the Lafayette Police

1	Department's SWAT team, and she serves both the state of Louisiana and the United States
2	of America as a member of the Louisiana National Guard; and
3	WHEREAS, on August 5, 2023, at approximately 0214 hours, Lafayette Police
4	Department Officers, Raynard Ford, Alan Cortez, and Hali Bradford, were dispatched to a
5	"Disturbance, In Progress" in the city of Lafayette; and
6	WHEREAS, upon locating the residence, officers heard a female screaming inside
7	the residence, and despite facing imminent danger, Officers Ford, Cortez, and Bradford
8	courageously initiated action to ensure the safety of the individuals inside the residence; and
9	WHEREAS, Officer Ford demonstrated exceptional bravery by breaching the door
10	and evacuating two children and a young female, despite being fired upon by an armed
11	suspect, exhibiting selflessness and dedication to the protection of civilians and fellow
12	officers; and
13	WHEREAS, Officer Cortez displayed unwavering courage by remaining inside the
14	residence, risking his own safety to allow Officer Bradford, who had sustained gunshot
15	wounds, to escape, and continued to fulfill his duty even after sustaining injuries, ensuring
16	the safety of others until additional assistance arrived; and
17	WHEREAS, Corporals Adam Bradford and Maverick Morvant were working off-
18	duty security and on their way home when they heard the words "shots fired and officer
19	down" over their police radio; upon arrival at the scene, Corporals Bradford and Morvant
20	quickly assessed the situation and sprang into action; and
21	WHEREAS, Corporal Morvant exhibited exceptional professionalism and quick
22	thinking by swiftly transporting Officer Bradford to the hospital, thereby playing a crucial
23	role in saving her life, demonstrating extraordinary dedication to duty and fellow officers;
24	and
25	WHEREAS, Corporal Adam Bradford, Officer Hali Bradford's spouse, demonstrated
26	remarkable bravery and resourcefulness by swiftly assessing the situation and transporting
27	Officer Bradford to safety, providing critical medical aid en route to the hospital, and
28	providing invaluable support during a life-threatening situation; and
29	WHEREAS, the actions of Officers Raynard Ford and Alan Cortez, and Corporals
30	Adam Bradford and Maverick Morvant, exemplify the highest standards of bravery,

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1 selflessness, and dedication to duty, and undoubtedly saved the life of Officer Hali Bradford; 2 and WHEREAS, the extraordinary bravery, quick thinking, and selfless actions in the 3 face of danger of these officers exemplify the highest ideals of law enforcement and their 4 5 commitment to protecting and serving their community. 6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Police Officer Hali Bradford on receipt of the prestigious TOP COPS Award®. 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to 8 9 Police Officer Hali Bradford.

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

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