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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Vickie Johnson on being inducted into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports

3 Hall of Fame.

4 WHEREAS, Vickie Johnson was born on April 15, 1972, in Coushatta, Louisiana,

5 and she rose to national prominence as a collegiate basketball star at Louisiana Tech

6 University, one of the premier women's basketball programs in the country; and

7 WHEREAS, as a Lady Techster, Johnson was selected to the 1994 National

8 Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) All-Final Four Team, earned both Kodak and Street

9 & Smith's All-America honors in both 1995 and 1996, and she was named the Sun Belt

10 Conference Most Valuable Player in 1995 and 1996 as well as the 1996 Louisiana Player of

11 the Year; and

12 WHEREAS, she finished her college career with one thousand eight hundred

13 ninety-one points and eight hundred thirty-one rebounds, cementing her place among

14 Louisiana Tech's all-time greats; and

15 WHEREAS, Vickie Johnson began her professional career in the Women's National

16 Basketball Association's (WNBA) inaugural season in 1997, launching a thirteen-year career

17 that would make her one of the league's early legends; and

18 WHEREAS, she played in four hundred ten WNBA games, starting four hundred

1 eight of them, and averaged 10.3 points, 4.0 rebounds, and shot 43.1 percent from the field
2 and 82.1 percent from the free-throw line during her career; and

3 WHEREAS, she became the first player in WNBA history to record four thousand
4 points, one thousand rebounds, and one thousand assists in a career, and on June 13, 2008,
5 she became the league's all-time leader in minutes played, surpassing eleven thousand
6 minutes; and

7 WHEREAS, Vickie Johnson played nine seasons with the New York Liberty, earning
8 WNBA All-Star honors in 1999 and 2001, before finishing her career with four seasons at
9 the San Antonio Silver Stars and concluding her final season in 2008 by winning the Kim
10 Perrot Sportsmanship Award; and

11 WHEREAS, in recognition of her excellence, leadership, and impact on the Liberty
12 franchise, she was inducted into the New York Liberty's Ring of Honor in 2011; and

13 WHEREAS, following her playing career, Johnson continued to contribute to the
14 game through coaching and eventually serving as head coach of the WNBA's Dallas Wings
15 for the 2022 season; and

16 WHEREAS, Vickie Johnson has served as an inspiration to generations of young
17 athletes in Louisiana and across the nation by breaking barriers and setting a standard of
18 excellence, resilience, and professionalism.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
20 commend Vickie Johnson on being inducted into the 2025 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall
21 of Fame.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
23 Vickie Johnson.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services.
The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof
or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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