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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY REPRESENTATIVES KLECKLEY, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, ANDERS, ARMES, ARNOLD, BADON, BARRAS, BARROW, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, STUART BISHOP, WESLEY BISHOP, BROADWATER, BROSSETT, BROWN, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, TIM BURNS, BURRELL, CARMODY, CARTER, CHAMPAGNE, CHANEY, CONNICK, COX, CROMER, DANAHAY, DIXON, DOVE, EDWARDS, FANNIN, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GEYMANN, GISCLAIR, GREENE, GUILLORY, GUINN, HARRIS, HARRISON, HAVARD, HAZEL, HENRY, HENSGENS, HILL, HODGES, HOFFMANN, HOLLIS, HONORE, HOWARD, HUNTER, HUVAL, IVEY, GIROD JACKSON, KATRINA JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JOHNSON, JONES, LAMBERT, NANCY LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LEBAS, LEGER, LEOPOLD, LOPINTO, LORUSSO, MACK, MILLER, MONTOUCET, MORENO, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, NORTON, ORTEGO, PEARSON, PIERRE, PONTI, POPE, PRICE, PUGH, PYLANT, REYNOLDS, RICHARD, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAUX, SCHEXNAYDER, SCHRODER, SEABAUGH, SHADOIN, SIMON, SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STOKES, TALBOT, THIBAUT, THIERRY, THOMPSON, WHITNEY, ALFRED WILLIAMS, PATRICK WILLIAMS, AND WILLMOTT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Noel Hunt, director of the Office of Human Resources of the Louisiana House of Representatives, upon his retirement after thirty-five years of state service and thirty years as an integral member of the House staff and to recognize and record his many significant contributions to the Legislature of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Noel Hunt, one of the most effective and respected members of the staff of the Louisiana House of Representatives, is retiring in April of 2013, and the members of the House desire to record and recognize his legacy of expertise and excellence; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt is retiring after thirty-five years of state service and thirty years as a member of the House staff, during which time he has served eight different Speakers of the House and the members of the House with unwavering diligence; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from college in 1969 and serving a tour of duty in the United States Army during the Vietnam era, Mr. Hunt began his career with the East Baton Rouge Parish Juvenile Court, where he served for ten years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt earned a master of business administration degree from Southeastern Louisiana University in 1979, and he accepted a position with the Division of Administration as an analyst; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, Mr. Hunt was hired by David R. Poynter, Executive Director of House Legislative Services, as an analyst for the House Committee on Appropriations, and in January of 1988, Mr. Hunt accepted a position as a lobbyist with Haynie and Associates; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1990, Mr. Hunt returned to the House staff as Executive Director of House Legislative Services (HLS), a position in which he was charged with supervision and direction of the House staff responsible for research, bill drafting, and committee staffing, and during Mr. Hunt's years in this critical role, he oversaw many changes in HLS, including participation in a National Conference of State Legislatures management study of HLS and development by the HLS management staff of an HLS management plan to establish a revitalized staffing philosophy and implement current management trends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt continued serving in this position until January of 1999, when he helped to establish the House of Representatives' Office of Human Resources and was named its first director; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt has served with great effectiveness in this vital role, working with the office's staff to expertly serve the members and staff of the House regarding a wide variety of employment issues, including complex matters related to insurance and retirement, and helping to promote a fair, safe, healthy, stable, cooperative, and productive work environment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt carried his knowledge beyond the confines of the capitol as a panelist for a program on professional and legal issues for legislative e-mail for the National Conference of State Legislatures 2008 Legislative Summit; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement, Mr. Hunt will be greatly missed by the members and staff of the Louisiana House of Representatives, who will continue to respect and admire him and value his friendship; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunt is an inspiration to his fellow citizens for the vital contributions he has made in his career of very effective public service, and he merits the highest commendation and sincere congratulations for his exemplary term of service and for his singular contributions to the state, whose citizens will long reap the benefits of his legacy of excellence and professionalism.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Noel Hunt upon his retirement after a long career of dedicated state public service, culminating in his longtime service as Director of the Office of Human Resources of the Louisiana House of Representatives, does hereby record for posterity his loyalty to the legislative institution, his service as a mentor to his fellow staff, and the friendship, leadership, and able assistance he has generously provided to all members of the House family during three decades as an integral member of the House staff, does hereby express to him enduring appreciation for the pride and honor he brings to the state of Louisiana, and does hereby extend to him every good wish for continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Noel Hunt.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES