Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 136

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Ida B. Collins Hall for her accomplishments as the owner and operator of the Ibelco Self Improvement & Modeling School

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Ida B. Collins Hall for the many contributions she has made to the Baton
3	Rouge community as an activist, civic organizer, and owner and operator of Ibelco
4	Self Improvement & Modeling School.
5	WHEREAS, since 1972, Mrs. Hall has been the owner and operator of Ibelco Self
6	Improvement & Modeling School, the first charm school and modeling agency in Old South
7	Baton Rouge; and
8	WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall moved from Washington, D.C., to Baton Rouge in 1964 and
9	immediately became active in the community, attending civil rights pickets and volunteering
10	at the Baton Rouge National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
11	office; and
12	WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall's passion for making a difference in the community and
13	promoting positive self-images and good self-esteem, particularly to students from
14	economically depressed areas and disadvantaged homes, eventually drove her to open her
15	own beauty and finishing school; and
16	WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall taught her students how to properly apply and wear makeup,
17	how to carry and present themselves with charm and grace, how to embrace and be proud
18	of who they are, how to walk and turn on stage with presence, poise, and flare, and how to
19	protect the clothes they modeled from sweat and makeup; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall also taught her students both professional and life skills, and 2 her quick wit, humor, and candor endeared her to many generations who attended the charm 3 school; and 4 WHEREAS, under Mrs. Hall's leadership, many of her students have been featured 5 in *The Advocate* in Baton Rouge and *Jet*, and *Ebony* magazines, many other local and state 6 fashion publications, and have attended Ebony Fashion Fair Modeling Shows; and 7 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, 8 and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure upon people like 9 Mrs. Hall, a true Louisiana hero and an inspiration to all; and 10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall represents all that is good about Louisiana, a woman of 11 exceptional inner strength, character, and with an entrepreneurial mind that has enabled her 12 to promote, unite, encourage, and inspire countless models; and 13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall merits a special measure of commendation for the tremendous 14 pride and honor that she brings to her family and friends, the Baton Rouge community, the 15 state of Louisiana, and the United States of America. 16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ida B. Collins Hall for the positive impact 18 she has had on the lives of the young people who have attended the Ibelco Self Improvement 19 & Modeling School, does hereby record for posterity her many contributions to the Baton 20 Rouge community and her fellow citizens, does hereby express enduring appreciation for 21 her kindness, compassion, and generosity, and does hereby extend to her best wishes for 22 continued success, health, and happiness in all her future endeavors. 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- to Ida B. Collins Hall.

DIGEST

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