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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 144

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Inc., Prince Hall Affiliation of Louisiana upon the celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend the Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Inc., upon the celebration of
3	its seventy-fifth anniversary.
4	WHEREAS, Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, the auxiliary and adopted
5	body of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons
6	Louisiana Jurisdiction, was organized on January 12, 1938, in New Orleans, Louisiana, and
7	it is appropriate to congratulate its members upon the historic occasion of its seventy-fifth
8	anniversary; and
9	WHEREAS, Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star was incorporated in
10	accordance with the laws of Louisiana on December 4, 1954, and initially had only ten
11	chapters; and
12	WHEREAS, Esther Grand Chapter, now with more than one hundred forty-five
13	chapters, seeks to provide young people with guidance, build their self-esteem and character,
14	and serve as a recreational outlet for youth in the community; and
15	WHEREAS, the Esther Grand Chapter annually contributes more than sixty thousand
16	dollars to Camp Chicota, a youth camp in St. Landry Parish that is owned and operated by
17	the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Louisiana and Esther Grand Chapter,
18	Order of Eastern Star; and

1 WHEREAS, the Esther Grand Chapter makes yearly donations to deserving charities 2 during its Grand Session in Baton Rouge, recognizes the civic service and charitable 3 accomplishments of its members, and awards scholarships to deserving students; and 4 WHEREAS, the Esther Grand Chapter makes generous donations to the United 5 Negro College Fund, the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation, the American Cancer Society, the 6 American Red Cross, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the 7 National Council of Negro Women, the Hurricane Disaster Relief Fund, and the Haitian 8 Relief Fund; and 9 WHEREAS, the Esther Grand Chapter participates in many civic activities including 10 voter registration drives, after school tutoring, sponsorship of youth organizations, Toys for 11 Tots, donations to food banks and school supply drives, and a multitude of senior citizen 12 functions; and 13 WHEREAS, members of the Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star are pillars 14 of service to this state, and they merit the highest measure of commendation for seventy-five 15 years of highly effective and productive service. 16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern 18 Star upon the celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary, does hereby record for posterity 19 the countless acts of charity and generous contributions that this organization has made 20 toward the betterment of the state of Louisiana, and does hereby extend to the members of 21 this fine organization all the best wishes for many more years of compassionate, Christian, 22 and charitable service. 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

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DIGEST

to the Grand Worthy Matron of the Esther Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star.

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