

Regular Session, 2013

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 147

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Randy K. Haynie for his generous loan to the state of Louisiana of a rare Eighteen-Star American National Flag Commemorating Louisiana Statehood.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Randy K. Haynie for his generous loan to the state of Louisiana for public  
3 display of a rare Eighteen-Star American National Flag Commemorating Louisiana  
4 Statehood.

5 WHEREAS, Randy K. Haynie has been closely involved with Louisiana politics for  
6 many years, but he is also vitally interested in the colorful history of the Bayou State, as well  
7 as the preservation of the numerous historical artifacts that have survived war, sickness and  
8 societal upheaval; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie has collected a number of these artifacts and saved them  
10 from certain destruction and loss and shared them with the people of Louisiana in order to  
11 help the people understand and stay in touch with the rich culture that shaped and formed  
12 their society; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie was fortunate to have come across a significant piece of  
14 Louisiana's history during his participation in and organizing of the state's Bicentennial  
15 Celebration; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie was able to acquire a rare piece of americana when he  
17 purchased the Eighteen-Star American National Flag Commemorating Louisiana Statehood  
18 and entry into the Union; and

1           WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie has offered to loan Louisiana officials the flag to be  
2 displayed inside the State Capitol Building where all visiting members of the public could  
3 see one of only three such flags in existence today; and

4           WHEREAS, the rare flag was hand-sewn by the seamen of the U.S.S. Constitution  
5 sometime during the period between 1812 and 1816, after Louisiana was admitted as the  
6 eighteenth state on April 30, 1812, with William C.C. Claiborne as the first governor of the  
7 state; and

8           WHEREAS, the ownership of the flag had come down to Mrs. Jennie L. Wood, on  
9 her mother's side of the family from her uncle Joseph L. Galloway, a direct descendent of  
10 Thomas Galloway, a sergeant in General Gabriel Slaughter's Regiment of the Fifteenth  
11 Kentucky Militia at the Battle of New Orleans on January 8, 1815; and

12           WHEREAS, the flag has thirteen alternating stripes and thirteen cotton-muslin stars  
13 on a blue canton, but this would soon change as more states joined the union and a new star  
14 would be added for each new state; and

15           WHEREAS, Randy Haynie should be hailed by all of Louisiana for the countless  
16 hours he has given to making the state's citizens more aware of their heritage, culture and  
17 history and for his generous philanthropic contributions to that end.

18           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
19 does hereby extend its highest and most sincere commendations to Randy K. Haynie for his  
20 generous loan of the famous flag in order to display it in the Louisiana State Capitol  
21 Building for the state's bicentennial celebration.

22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mr.  
23 Randy K. Haynie.

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

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DIGEST

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