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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 111

BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Strand Theatre of Shreveport Corporation and the people of Shreveport on the celebration of the thirtieth season of the renovated Strand Theatre as a performing arts venue

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend the Strand Theatre of Shreveport Corporation and the people of Shreveport on
3	the celebration of the thirtieth season of the renovated Strand Theatre as a
4	performing arts venue.
5	WHEREAS, the historic Strand Theatre opened to great fanfare in 1925 as a movie
6	palace and Vaudeville house and prospered as such for decades; and
7	WHEREAS, after a period of decline, architectural diminishment, and closure, the
8	Strand Theatre was donated to the nonprofit Strand Theatre of Shreveport Corporation,
9	which undertook extensive renovation of the facility, including replicating the original
10	chandeliers, replacing the opera boxes, and restoring the original exterior facade, and after
11	seven years completed the work of restoring the theatre to its original glory; and
12	WHEREAS, in 1984, the Strand Theatre reopened as a performing arts venue with
13	a concert by the Shreveport Symphony Orchestra, and is now celebrating thirty years as a
14	premier venue for concerts, plays, and Broadway shows; and
15	WHEREAS, the Strand Theatre has become the anchor and centerpiece of the
16	Shreveport arts district known as West Edge and has been recognized nationally by USA
17	Weekend and by American Movie Classics Magazine as one of the top five glitziest theaters
18	for live performance anywhere in the country; and

1 WHEREAS, on May 6, 2014, the thirtieth anniversary of the reopening of the Strand

- 2 Theatre will be celebrated in grand style with a Birthday Celebration and Season
- 3 Announcement Party to which the community is invited.
- 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Strand Theatre of Shreveport
- 6 Corporation and the people of Shreveport on the celebration of the thirtieth season of the
- 7 renovated Strand Theatre as a performing arts venue and does hereby express its enduring
- 8 appreciation to those who had the foresight to invest in saving this gem of a theatre and to
- 9 those who continue to support it and its arts programs.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 11 to the chairman of the board of directors of the Strand Theatre.

DIGEST

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