### Regular Session, 2014

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 191

### BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

# COMMENDATIONS: Commends Daniel J. Loar, the executive director of the La. Conference of Catholic Bishops, upon his retirement

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Daniel J. Loar upon his retirement as executive director of the Louisiana
3	Conference of Catholic Bishops.
4	WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the imminent retirement of
5	Daniel J. Loar as executive director of the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops, and
6	it is most fitting to commend him for his years of service in that capacity; and
7	WHEREAS, as executive director of the conference, a position he has held since
8	2002, Mr. Loar served as the chief lobbyist for the state's Roman Catholic Church and its
9	bishops; and
10	WHEREAS, in addition to his advocacy on behalf of the church's position on a wide
11	array of issues, Mr. Loar worked with the bishops to host annual legislative luncheons and
12	to institute regular celebrations of Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral for legislators during the
13	legislative session; and
14	WHEREAS, over the last few years in particular, as the legislature has considered
15	a host of education policy issues with direct implications for nonpublic schools, Mr. Loar
16	has worked closely with diocesan school superintendents to coordinate and represent their
17	interests in debates over legislation and funding; and
18	WHEREAS, under Mr. Loar's leadership, a website was launched, legislative bill
19	handling was changed from paper service to digital service, an electronic mail advocacy
20	network of thousands of people was established, and files of the organization were archived
21	and reposited; and

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1	WHEREAS, democracy at its best provides an arena for many, diverse voices to be
2	heard and considered and works best when advocates for various points of view express their
3	positions in a manner that shows knowledge of the issues and respect for the democratic
4	process; Mr. Loar is an advocate who personifies those qualities, and thereby, he has served
5	a larger constituency than merely those whom he formally represents; and
6	WHEREAS, Daniel J. Loar merits a sincere expression of commendation for his
7	many years of highly effective service as the public policy liaison for the Roman Catholic
8	bishops of Louisiana.
9	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
10	commend Daniel J. Loar upon his retirement as executive director of the Louisiana
11	Conference of Catholic Bishops and does hereby extend to him best wishes for continued
12	success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.
13	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
14	to Mr. Daniel J. Loar.
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## DIGEST

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