

1 WHEREAS, positions in which Ms. Johnson served previously include deputy
2 undersecretary of the office of juvenile justice from 2005 to 2008 and accountant manager
3 at the Department of Corrections from 2002 to 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson earned national recognition in 2012 when she was elected
5 to serve as the secretary of the National Council of State and Human Services Administrators
6 of the American Public Human Services Association, a prominent bipartisan organization
7 founded in 1930 which pursues excellence in health and social services; and

8 WHEREAS, for her keen intellect and incomparable professionalism, Ms. Johnson
9 has earned the deepest respect from those who know her, and from members of the
10 legislative committees before which she testified frequently on vital issues of public policy;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, behind her calm and composed expression there burns a passion for
13 serving children and families with the greatest needs and most challenging circumstances;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson has accepted an offer to serve as deputy director for
16 finance and administration at the Department of Health and Human Services of the state of
17 South Carolina; and

18 WHEREAS, her move to South Carolina is due to her wish to be close to her son,
19 Seth, as he embarks on a college basketball career in that state; and

20 WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana will sorely miss the remarkable leadership and
21 steadfast dedication of Ruth Johnson, a truly outstanding public servant.

22 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
23 commend Ms. Ruth Johnson for her years of outstanding public service to the citizens of
24 Louisiana as she departs the position of secretary of the Department of Children and Family
25 Services and does hereby wish her the very best in all of her future endeavors.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
27 to Ms. Ruth Johnson.

DIGEST

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