

2018 Third Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIBAUT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Leon Dixon, Sr. upon the occasion of his one hundredth birthday.

WHEREAS, membership in the centenarians club is extremely rare, and much honor is due to those who reach this milestone; and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2018, Leon Dixon, Sr., will join this exclusive club; Leon was born in Batchelor, Louisiana, as one of seven children of Napoleon and Ida Green Dixon; and

WHEREAS, as a young man, Leon joined the United States Army and served this country with distinction throughout World War II; he became a searchlight commander in the artillery division, directing five men in scanning the night sky for enemy aircraft; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the war, he served in Africa, Italy, France, Germany, and Corsica under the command of General Patton; military honors earned by Mr. Dixon include three Battle Stars; and

WHEREAS, in 1948 Leon Dixon married the former Miss Sedonia Richard, and the young couple started a home on Moringside Street in New Roads; in the succeeding years, the Dixon family grew to include nine children as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren; the Dixons were married for forty-six years until the passing of Mrs. Dixon; and

WHEREAS, at one hundred years old, Leon Dixon, Sr., continues to enjoy good health, thanks in part, no doubt, to the support and blessings of the family that he so lovingly nurtured, and he remains an active member of Mount Mariah Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Leon Dixon, Sr., on the momentous occasion of his one hundredth birthday.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Leon Dixon, Sr., upon the occasion of his one hundredth birthday; does hereby add its hearty congratulations to the celebration of a

full and rich life; and does hereby wish him full measures of health and many happy days ahead.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Leon Dixon, Sr.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES