2018 Regular Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 247** 

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEOPOLD

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Earl O. Armstrong for his many contributions to Plaquemines Parish.

WHEREAS, Earl Armstrong has lived and worked along the Mississippi River in Plaquemines Parish for more than seventy years; and

WHEREAS, he has been a tireless advocate for the importance of sediment diversions to rebuild coastal Louisiana and was instrumental in preventing the closure of the West Bay diversion; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Plaquemines Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee, his knowledge of the Mississippi River and coastal Louisiana proved invaluable; Mr. Armstrong's lifelong understanding of the Mississippi River Delta is vital to Plaquemines Parish and the health of Louisiana's coastal wetlands; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Armstrong was a recipient of the 2016 Coastal Stewardship Award, which is presented by the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana to honor individuals and organizations that demonstrate outstanding commitment to the coast and that have made significant contributions to the restoration and conservation of Louisiana's coastal wetlands; and

WHEREAS, Earl Armstrong was named King of the 2015 Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival; he served the people of Plaquemines Parish as a justice of the peace for more than thirty years and as a commissioner of the Plaquemines Soil and Water Conservation District for more than twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Plaquemines Parish are grateful to Mr. Armstrong for his steadfast commitment to serving his community; he is one of this state's finest sons, and he brings great pride and honor to his family, friends, and community.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Earl O. Armstrong for his many contributions to Plaquemines Parish; does hereby recognize the extraordinary impact he has had on the restoration, protection, and preservation of the coast in Plaquemines Parish, and does hereby extend to him every good wish for continued success, prosperity, and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Earl O. Armstrong.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES