

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 266

BY REPRESENTATIVES GLOVER, BAGLEY, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, PHELPS,
PRESSLY, AND SEABAUGH

A RESOLUTION

To commend Arthur G. Thompson for his public service on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Arthur G. Thompson for his thirty-five years of leadership and service as the Shreveport city council clerk of council and to commend him on the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Arthur was born on July 27, 1941, to Theo and Mary Glenn Clark Thompson, and he is a native of Minden, Louisiana; he is married to Margaret Marks Thompson, with whom he has two children, Bryan and Dionne Thompson, and one grandchild, Phineas Carter Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Arthur earned a bachelor's degree from Southern University and A&M College, and afterwards, a juris doctor degree from Southern University Law Center; he joined the United States Army where he served in the Judge Advocate General's Corps for four years and achieved the rank of captain; during his final year of service, he served as a Special Court-Martial judge; and

WHEREAS, after completing his military service in 1971, Arthur moved to Shreveport; he has called the city his home for the last fifty-one years; since 1985, his full-time career has been as clerk of council for the city of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson has also been a member of the board of directors of BRF since 2005 and has served as an officer on the board for eight consecutive years; BRF, which was formerly known as Biomedical Research Foundation, works to achieve its mission to diversify and grow Shreveport's economy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson has served on numerous other boards and commissions since he settled in Shreveport; he served on the Caddo Parish School Board and the Shreveport Caddo Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission and held leadership roles on the Strategic Action Council and Providence House boards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson deservedly received the Liberty Bell Award from the Shreveport Bar Association on May 1, 2019; the award was established to acknowledge outstanding community service and is presented to individuals or organizations that promote better understanding of the rule of law, encourage greater respect for law and the courts, stimulate a sense of civic responsibility, or contribute to good government in the community; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Thompson is dedicated to the service of others; after thirty-five years of committed service as the Shreveport city council's clerk of council, he is retiring from public service, and he is most deserving of the highest recognition for both his inspiring career and his unshakeable belief in the power of working together.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Arthur G. Thompson for his public service on the occasion of his retirement and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he enjoy good health and prosperity as he begins his well-earned life in retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Arthur G. Thompson.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES