# SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13 BY SENATOR KOSTELKA

#### A RESOLUTION

To commend and express sincere gratitude to John W. Sutherlin, PhD, for his expert advice in assisting the Louisiana Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee to prepare an adoptable plan for reapportioning the United States Congressional Districts for the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana would like to express its sincere gratitude and acknowledge the expert advice and assistance provided by John W. Sutherlin, to the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee in helping to prepare an adoptable plan for reapportioning the United States Congressional Districts for the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, John W. Sutherlin currently teaches in an associate professor capacity at the University of Louisiana-Monroe, in the Department of Gerontology, Sociology, and Political Science, after earning his PhD at the University of New Orleans in 1998, a MA at the University of New Orleans in 1995, and a BA at Louisiana Tech University in 1990; and

WHEREAS, he has been teaching courses at the University of Louisiana-Monroe since 2005, including Introduction to Political Science, American Government, American Foreign Policy, International Politics, Middle East Politics, Western Political Thought, Global Development, International Political Economy, and American Political Theory and other similar courses; and

WHEREAS, John W. Sutherlin, at Tulane University from 1997 through May 2004, taught such courses as Global Environment Politics, Persian Gulf Politics, American Foreign Policy, International Relations, Middle East Politics, American Environmental Politics, Conflict and Diplomacy, and a number of other courses; and

WHEREAS, he previously taught American Government at the University of New Orleans from August 1994 to May 1996; and

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WHEREAS, John W. Sutherlin has authored numerous books and journal articles such as American Government: A complete Course in a Book (2007), Political Science, A Complete Course in a Book (2007), The Greening of Central Europe: Sustainable Development and Environmental Policy in Poland and the Czech Republic (1999), Power and Responsibility: Building International Order in an Era of Transnational Threats (2010), Louisiana's Alternative Energy Policy: How the Bayou State could become the Biomass State (2009), and published many other articles too numerous to mention; and

WHEREAS, he has also expertly advised and testified before committees of the legislature of the state of Arkansas and several other states; and

WHEREAS, John W. Sutherlin has worked tirelessly with the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation and the legislature on developing a congressional redistricting plan; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the extraordinary knowledge, talents and dedication of educators like John W. Sutherlin, PhD.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express its gratitude to John W. Sutherlin, PhD, for his expert assistance and for a job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be presented to John W. Sutherlin.

## PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE