BY SENATOR NEVERS

A RESOLUTION

To commend former Bogalusa Mayor Charles E. Mizell Sr. on his leadership and record of dedicated public service to the people of Bogalusa and Washington Parish.

WHEREAS, Charles E. Mizell Sr. was born on January 28, 1949, in Bogalusa, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Charles Mizell worked his way up in the construction industry, beginning as a laborer at Seal Construction Company in 1967, becoming a partner in Seal Construction Company in 1983, and then later forming and leading as president several entrepreneurial businesses of his own, including Chamico, Inc., Reliable Concrete, Inc., and Micon Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, Charles Mizell served as a member on the Washington Parish Charter Commission, providing leadership in the charge to develop a new form of government for Washington Parish, which later was ratified by the citizens of Washington Parish; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, the people of Bogalusa elected Charles Mizell to be the mayor of Bogalusa, an office in which he proudly served until 2014, daily leading the people of Bogalusa as the city worked to carry out the driving mission of the Mizell administration: "Building a Better Bogalusa"; and

WHEREAS, Charles Mizell's love of community and vision for the future of Bogalusa spurred him to lead the city of Bogalusa to accomplish ambitious and significant goals in just one term, including the restoration and improvement of Cassidy Park, the transformation of Louisiana Avenue from Memphis to Masonic Streets and the revitalization of the Columbia Street Main Street District; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as mayor of Bogalusa, Charles Mizell emphasized the importance of working together with the City Council in striving to help the hardworking people of Bogalusa to make many of their dreams a reality; and

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WHEREAS, Charles Mizell has served as a member of the Washington Parish Redistricting Committee and the Washington Parish Road Tax Committee, and currently serves as a member of the Washington Parish Reservoir District Board of Commissioners, and of the Board of Directors of Our Lady of the Angels Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the people of Bogalusa and Washington Parish appreciate and recognize Charles Mizell's proven and consistent dedication to serving the people of his city and his parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana commends former Bogalusa Mayor Charles E. Mizell Sr. on his leadership and record of dedicated public service to the people of Bogalusa and Washington Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Charles E. Mizell Sr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE