SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 220

BY SENATORS SMITH AND PRICE

A RESOLUTION

To commend World War II veteran Irving Pierre Sr. for his lifetime of meritorious service to his country and community.

WHEREAS, as part of the "Greatest Generation", Mr. Pierre honorably served his country during World War II in the European Theater as a member of the United States Army Air Corps for which he received the European-Africa-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal; and

WHEREAS, as part of his service during the war, Mr. Pierre was also awarded two Bronze Stars as a result of heroic achievement, heroic service, meritorious achievement, and meritorious service in a combat zone; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierre was honorably discharged from his service upon the conclusion of WWII; and

WHEREAS, despite his service in defeating Fascism, Mr. Pierre returned home to the segregated South, where he continued a new fight for civil rights; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierre was a founding member of the Friloux-Robinson American Legion Post 509, in Ama, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierre, at age ninety-eight, was recently honored for his service to this country and the American Legion Post 509, along with his dear friend and fellow WWII veteran William Warren Becknel Sr.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend World War II veteran Irving Pierre Sr. for his lifetime of meritorious service to his country and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Irving Pierre Sr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE