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**OF THE**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Thirty-second Regular Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, March 29, 2006

The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:00 P.M., by the Honorable Joe R. Salter, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**Morning Hour**

**ROLL CALL**

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

**PRESENT**

Mr. Speaker	Faucheux	Morrell
Alexander	Frith	Morrish
Ansardi	Gallot	Odinot
Arnold	Geymann	Pierre
Badon	Glover	Pinac
Baldone	Gray	Pitre
Barrow	Greene	Powell, M.
Baudoin	Guillory, E.	Powell, T.
Baylor	Guillory, M.	Quezaire
Beard	Hammett	Richmond
Bowler	Harris	Ritchie
Bruce	Heaton	Robideaux
Bruneau	Hebert	Romero
Burns	Hill	Scalise
Burrell	Honey	Schneider
Carter, K.	Hunter	Smiley
Carter, R.	Hutter	Smith, G.
Cazayoux	Jackson	Smith, J.D.—50th
Crane	Jefferson	Smith, J.H.—8th
Cravins	Johns	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crowe	Katz	St. Germain
Curtis	Kennard	Strain
Damico	Kenney	Thompson
Daniel	Kleckley	Toomy
Dartez	LaBruzzo	Townsend
DeWitt	LaFleur	Trahan
Doerge	LaFonta	Triche
Dorsey	Lambert	Tucker

Dove	Lancaster	Waddell
Downs	Marchand	Walker
Durand	Martiny	Walsworth
Erdey	McDonald	White
Fannin	McVea	Winston
Farrar	Montgomery	Wooton

Total - 102

ABSENT

Alario

Hopkins

Total - 2

The Speaker announced that there were 102 members present and a quorum.

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Rep. McDonald.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Rep. Baldone led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Reading of the Journal**

On motion of Rep. Fannin, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Badon, the Journal of March 28, 2006, was adopted.

**Introduction of Resolutions,  
House and House Concurrent**

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana upon its acceptance of the Venet d'Or de la Francophonie from the International Organization of la Francophonie on behalf of the state of Louisiana, to recognize the tremendous pride that the receipt of this award brings to the citizens of Louisiana, and to express enduring gratitude to the International Organization of la Francophonie for this singular honor.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. LaFleur, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to designate U.S. Highway 167 within Jackson Parish as a Blue Star Memorial Highway in honor of the citizens of Jackson Parish who have served, are now serving, or will serve in the armed forces of the United States and to authorize placement of a Blue Star Memorial Highway monument along this route.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Fannin, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Federal Emergency Management Agency to finalize and issue floodplain maps for all those parishes in Louisiana affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita as soon as possible.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Crowe, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To request that the Department of Transportation and Development designate the portion of the Interstate 49 South corridor in St. Martin Parish as "Veterans Memorial Expressway" and erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Durand, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions**

The following named members introduced the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1132—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE PIERRE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:1(A) and to enact R.S. 30:1(E), relative to the office of conservation, Department of Natural Resources; to designate such office as the agency of primary jurisdiction for all claims arising from oil and gas operations in the state; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**House and House Concurrent Resolutions**

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
A RESOLUTION

To adopt House Rule 8.29 of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide that the motion for final passage of the Capital Outlay Bill or to concur in amendments or adopt any conference committee report on such bill is not in order under certain circumstances.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
A RESOLUTION

To adopt House Rule 10.10 of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to require the tally of votes to be visible to each member in the chamber while voting.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt House Rule 6.2 of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to limit the service of a chairman of a committee.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 14—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
A RESOLUTION

To amend House Rule 6.14(A) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide for the membership of the conference committee on the General Appropriation Bill and on the Capital Outlay Bill.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 209—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE KLECKLEY  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:1758.1, relative to gravity drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish; to provide relative to the governance of such districts; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1129—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:1705, relative to state funds; to establish the Poverty Point Reservoir Development Fund as a special treasury fund; to provide for the deposit and use of monies in the fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1130—**BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND  
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 27-F of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9039.100 through 9039.111, relative to local and regional economic development; to provide for the creation of local and regional economic development districts that may operate on a local, municipal, parish, or multiparish basis to promote economic development statewide; to provide for definitions; to provide for the appointment of members to the board of the local and regional economic development districts; to provide for the boards' functions, powers, and duties; to authorize the boards to exercise the power of taxation, levy assessments on property, and collect certain fees; to authorize the districts to undertake certain projects for the promotion of local and regional economic development activities; to provide procedures for the issuance of bonds, notes, certificates, or other evidences of indebtedness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1131—**BY REPRESENTATIVE ANSARDI  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Civil Code Articles 2323(A) and 2324(B) and Code of Civil Procedure Articles 1005 and 1812(C)(2), relative to civil liability; to provide for the allocation of fault; to provide for affirmative defenses; to provide relative to special verdicts; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

### House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committee

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 332—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:371, relative to the cash management review board; to authorize designees of members to serve on said board; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 333—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To repeal Subpart F of Part II of Chapter 16 of Subtitle III of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 39:1493.1 through 1493.3, relative to the Commission for Review and Improvement of Services Procurement.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 465—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 39:1503.1 and 1595.7, relative to procurement; to repeal provisions for certain incentives related to participation in the mentor-protégé program, which program was repealed in 2001.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 661—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1482(K), relative to professional, personal, consulting, and social services procurement; to exempt certain contracts with a higher education entity from procurement requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 774—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1514(A)(1)(d), relative to public contracts; to provide for certain contracts of institutions of higher education under the authority of grants or joint agreements; to provide for the duration of such contracts, grants, or agreements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 947—**BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1678.1(C), relative to the Louisiana Procurement Code; to provide for certain actions to which claims for damages do not apply; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1127—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER  
AN ACT

To appropriate funds from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations for said agencies and purposes for the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

**Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

**Report of the Committee on  
Administration of Criminal Justice**

March 29, 2006

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 15, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 23, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 25, by Martiny  
Reported with amendments. (11-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 26, by Martiny  
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 73, by Smith, J. H.  
Reported with amendments. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 77, by Bruce  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 81, by Burns  
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 101, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 102, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 179, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 187, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 211, by Johns  
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 216, by Johns  
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 425, by Cazayoux  
Reported favorably. (11-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 533, by Ritchie  
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 611, by Carter, R.  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 612, by Carter, R.  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 613, by Carter, R.  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 614, by Carter, R.  
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 635, by Burns  
Reported with amendments. (11-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 865, by Martiny  
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

DANIEL MARTINY  
Chairman

**Introduction of Resolutions,  
House and House Concurrent**

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to continue funding and operation of the United States Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service located in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALEXANDER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To request that the Department of Transportation and Development designate the portion of the Interstate 49 South corridor in Lafayette Parish as "Veterans Memorial Expressway" and erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Alexander, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment**

March 29, 2006

To the honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE GARY SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the New Jersey State Police for their service to the city of New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to ensure that the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the United States Army Corps of Engineers break up large federal disaster recovery contracts in Louisiana so that small, locally owned businesses can compete for and be awarded such contracts.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCVEA, BEARD, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, DANIEL, ERDEY, GREENE, KENNARD, LAMBERT, SMILEY, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, AND WHITE AND SENATORS AMEDEE, DARDENNE, FONTENOT, MARIONNEAUX, AND NEVERS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Red Stick Chapter of the American Ex-Prisoners of War and to recognize and express appreciation for the achievements and sacrifice of ex-prisoners of war.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCDONALD, BURNS, R. CARTER, CURTIS, DOERGE, DURAND, GLOVER, E. GUILLORY, M. GUILLORY, HUTTER, JACKSON, KATZ, MARCHAND, STRAIN, WADDELL, WALKER, AND WINSTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Mr. Ben A. Bearden on more than forty years of outstanding service and dedication to the state of Louisiana, the Department of Social Services, and the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), more recently as the director of the Louisiana Medicaid program, and to congratulate him on the occasion of his much deserved retirement.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFONTA

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Small Business Entrepreneurship Commission to meet within six months to help small businesses recover from the effects of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Floyd's Record Shop in Ville Platte, the oldest recorded music store in Louisiana, upon the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary and to recognize its contributions to Creole and Cajun heritage and culture.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Economic Development and the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to work together to study the feasibility and economic impact of developing a festival for digital media, film, and music.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES ANSARDI AND MARTINY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Pastor John Fall and the Williams Boulevard Baptist Church of Kenner, Louisiana, for their support and assistance to Louisiana State Police Troop "B" following Hurricane Katrina.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, BADON, BARROW, BAYLOR, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CRAVINS, CURTIS, DORSEY, GALLOT, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLORY, HARRIS, HONEY, HUNTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, LAFONTA, MARCHAND, MORRELL, PIERRE, AND QUEZAIRE AND SENATORS BAJOEI, BROOME, CRAVINS, DUPLESSIS, FIELDS, JACKSON, JONES, MURRAY, AND SHEPHERD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend personnel of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for their response efforts following Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To declare the month of October as Marriage and Family Month to encourage and protect marriages and families in Louisiana.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Barbara Valentine upon the great achievement of being sworn in as Louisiana District Governor of Pilot Club International.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUCE AND MONTGOMERY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Eric Daniel Poole for his outstanding accomplishments which include earning an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Daisy Richardson Ross upon the celebration of her ninetieth birthday on April 20, 2006.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE KLECKLEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Edwin Duhon, cofounder of the Hackberry Ramblers and to recognize his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions to the music industry.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMILEY AND SENATOR AMEDEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend St. Joseph Catholic Church in French Settlement upon the celebration of the building of its new church.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMILEY AND SENATOR AMEDEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the town of Sorrento upon the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation on September 11, 2006.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDONALD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Leslie Remi Lavergne of Baton Rouge.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to remove the TRIO programs Upward Bound and Talent Search from the list of programs to be eliminated in the 2007 budget and to memorialize congress to continue the funding of such programs.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ERDEY AND SENATOR FONTENOT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and celebrate the accomplishments of Kevin M. Jones, Jr. of the Boy Scouts of America on the memorable and historic occasion of his attainment of the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES FANNIN AND WALSWORTH AND SENATOR KOSTELKA  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Trooper Michael Linton of Troop F in Monroe upon being named Louisiana State Police Uniformed Trooper of the Year and to express gratitude for his embodiment of the Louisiana State Police motto of "Courtesy, Loyalty, and Service".

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BADON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Campus Compact and encourage participation in its programs.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to designate Louisiana Highway 13 in Acadia Parish as a Blue Star Memorial Highway in honor of the citizens of Acadia Parish who have served, are now serving, or will serve in the armed forces of the United States and to authorize placement of a Blue Star Memorial Highway monument along this route.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KATZ  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to secure our nation's borders, identify and deport immigration violators, preclude automatic citizenship for children born of such violators, and revise the work visa program.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission for their efforts to promote hunting and fishing activities for the youth in our state.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Theodore "Dutch" Van Kirk and recognize Saturday, April 29, 2006, as Theodore "Dutch" Van Kirk Day.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Chuck Finley upon his selection for induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in June of 2006.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to immediately close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet and to request that the Louisiana congressional delegation file the necessary legislation to accomplish this closure.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES MCVEA, HONEY, AND WHITE AND SENATOR BROOME  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Zachary Community School District upon receiving the highest district performance score in the state for the 2004-2005 school year and to recognize the district for its dedication to academic excellence.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD  
Chairman

The above House Concurrent Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk of the House and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

**Leave of Absence**

Rep. Alario - 1 day

Rep. Hopkins - 1 day

**Adjournment**

On motion of Rep. Kenney, at 4:31 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Thursday, March 30, 2006, at 1:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Thursday, March 30, 2006.

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House