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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT, ABRAMSON, ANDERS, ARMES, ARNOLD, AUBERT, AUSTIN BADON, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BARRAS, BARROW, BILLIOT, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, TIM BURNS, BURRELL, CARMODY, CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CHAMPAGNE, CHANDLER, CHANEY, CONNICK, CORTEZ, CROMER, DANAHAY, DIXON, DOERGE, DOVE, DOWNS, EDWARDS, ELLINGTON, FANNIN, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GEYMANN, GISCLAIR, GREENE, ELBERT GUILLORY, MICKEY GUILLORY, GUINN, HARDY, HARRISON, HAZEL, HENDERSON, HENRY, HILL, HINES, HOFFMANN, HONEY, HOWARD, HUTTER, GIROD JACKSON, MICHAEL JACKSON, JOHNSON, ROSALIND JONES, SAM JONES, KATZ, KLECKLEY, LABRUZZO, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LEBAS, LEGER, LIGI, LITTLE, LOPINTO, LORUSSO, MARCHAND, MCVEA, MILLS, MONICA, MONTOUCET, MORRELL, MORRIS, NORTON, NOWLIN, PEARSON, PERRY, PETERSON, PONTI, POPE, PUGH, RICHARD, RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAUX, ROY, SCHRODER, SIMON, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, PATRICIA SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TALBOT, TEMPLET, TRAHAN, TUCKER, WADDELL, WHITE, WILLIAMS, WILLMOTT, AND WOOTON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Loy F. Weaver for his outstanding accomplishments upon his retirement as area president of First Guaranty Bank in North Louisiana.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation be extended to Loy F. Weaver for a remarkable career in public and private service during which he has consistently demonstrated his intense determination to fully use every opportunity to serve his community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 1942, Loy Frank Weaver was born in Homer, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Homer High School, Mr. Weaver received a bachelor of arts degree from Louisiana Tech University in 1964; and

WHEREAS, from 1964 until 1973, Mr. Weaver was employed by the United States Department of Justice, where he worked as a special agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Drug Enforcement Administration, held various management-level positions, was cited on five different occasions by FBI director J. Edgar Hoover for

outstanding performance and personal bravery, and was awarded the Outstanding Performance Award, the highest award given by the Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, while with the Drug Enforcement Administration, Mr. Weaver served for a period of time in a staff position which required that he maintain an official liaison with the governors of five states, and he also served as the Department of Justice contact for those states' attorneys general and top state law enforcement officials; he attended numerous schools and seminars related to personnel management, budgeting, and other management issues, and he was a certified instructor in various law enforcement training programs throughout a five-state region; and

WHEREAS, from 1974 through 1981, Mr. Weaver was a principal owner as well as president and chief executive officer of Southern Research Company, Inc., a well-known private security firm headquartered in Shreveport, Louisiana, that had gross income in excess of four million dollars per year, employed as many as four hundred people, and provided a variety of services to business and government, including compliance audits, fraud investigations, personnel screening, security consultation, physical perimeter and security safety, and a central station alarm service; and

WHEREAS, from 1981 through 1995, Mr. Weaver was involved as a principal shareholder, president, and chief executive officer of the Homer National Bank, which led to his position as area president of First Guaranty Bank in North Louisiana, which he assumed in 2001; and

WHEREAS, prior to his highly effective and productive term as area president of First Guaranty Bank, Mr. Weaver served as president and chief executive officer of Homer National Bank, city president of Premier Bank, city president of Bank One of Louisiana, and president and chief executive officer of First Woodlands Bank; and

WHEREAS, it was in 1975 when Mr. Weaver was first elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives, where he served for two terms and represented his constituency in an honorable and dedicated manner; and

WHEREAS, while in the House of Representatives, Mr. Weaver steadfastly endeavored to improve the welfare of his fellow citizens and was elected during his first term to serve on the House Committee on Appropriations and the Joint Legislative Budget Committee; additionally, he served on the House Committee on Retirement and the House

Committee on Transportation and Development and as chairman of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice; he also served as co-chairman of the Louisiana Legislative Council, which directed the operation and general administration of the legislative staff and preparation of legislative documents, and he then served as chairman of the House Legislative Services Council which directed the operations of the House Legislative Services staff in its formative years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weaver has also lent his time and expertise on numerous ad hoc committees, including serving as chairman of a committee established for the purpose of studying the state employees group insurance system; and

WHEREAS, Loy Weaver has served or currently serves in the following capacities: as director of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, the Council for a Better Louisiana, and the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum; chairman of the Legislative Compensation Review Commission, NORTH PAC, the Homer Memorial Hospital board of directors, and the Claiborne Parish Health Care Committee; a member of the executive committee of the Public Affairs Research Council; vice chairman of the Louisiana Crime Control Commission; and a member of the Governor's Commission on Pardon and Parole, the Haynesville Chamber of Commerce, the Homer Chamber of Commerce, and the Homer Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement, Mr. Weaver will be greatly missed by the members of the First Guaranty Bank family, who regard him as a dear friend and valued mentor, and they will remember him for his readiness to assist them in solving problems and finding solutions and how he always provided the staff with opportunities to develop and grow under his wonderful guidance; and

WHEREAS, Loy Weaver is an exceptional gentleman who represents all that is good about Louisiana and whose achievements have truly touched the lives of those blessed to know him, and he merits the highest commendation and sincere congratulations for his unforgettable contributions to his fellow citizens, who will long reap the benefits of his incomparable legacy of excellence and professionalism.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana hereby commend former state representative Loy F. Weaver upon his retirement as area president of First Guaranty Bank in North Louisiana, hereby

record for posterity his outstanding accomplishments and the exemplary strides he has taken during his terms of extraordinary service in both the public and private sectors, hereby express to him enduring appreciation for his many years of distinguished service and for the friendship, leadership, and able assistance he generously gave to the House, its members, and staff and to all who have worked with him, hereby recognize his vital contributions and his matchless integrity, hereby pay tribute to him for the generous and effective way in which he has dedicated his intelligence and his energy to the service of his community, state, and nation, and hereby extend to him every good wish for success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Loy F. Weaver.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES