

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 188

BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, PETERSON, LEGER, ABRAMSON, ANDERS, ARNOLD, AUBERT, BALDONE, BARRAS, BARROW, BILLIOT, HENRY BURNS, BURRELL, CHANDLER, CONNICK, CORTEZ, DIXON, FANNIN, GALLOT, GISCLAIR, ELBERT GUILLORY, GUINN, HARRISON, HINES, HUTTER, GIROD JACKSON, ROSALIND JONES, LAFONTA, LEBAS, LIGI, LOPINTO, MARCHAND, MILLS, MONICA, MONTOUCET, MORRELL, MORRIS, PERRY, PUGH, RICHARDSON, ROY, SIMON, JANE SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TEMPLET, TRAHAN, TUCKER, WADDELL, WHITE, AND WOOTON

A RESOLUTION

To commend New Orleans jazz saxophonist Edward "Kidd" Jordan.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Edward "Kidd" Jordan for his unique achievements in jazz; and

WHEREAS, a native of Crowley, Mr. Jordan is a highly acclaimed musical artist whose extraordinary talents have earned him honor and recognition not only in his community, around this state, and in the United States, but throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan has a loyal fan base in Europe, where he was recognized by the French government with a knighthood for his contributions to the European performing arts; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2008, Mr. Jordan was honored at New York City's prestigious Vision Festival for his lifetime of achievements in music; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan has performed with such unforgettable artists as Ray Charles, Stevie Wonder, Aretha Franklin, and the Supremes; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jordan has also been a renowned figure in the field of music education through his longtime position at Southern University at New Orleans, where he started the jazz program, through his work with children, and through his international educational programs in Sierra Leone, Senegal, and Mali; and

WHEREAS, Edward "Kidd" Jordan merits a sincere measure of commendation for the inspiration he has brought to his countless fans in his unforgettable live performances, for the many exceptional albums he has recorded, and for his legendary contributions to jazz.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana hereby commends New Orleans jazz saxophonist Edward "Kidd" Jordan, hereby recognizes him for his remarkable musical accomplishments and talents, and hereby expresses to him enduring gratitude for the immeasurable pride and honor that he brings to the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Edward "Kidd" Jordan.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES