

1 WHEREAS, Ms. Mattix was appointed as director of social services for the Orleans
2 Parish District Attorney's Office in December of 2009, and in this post, she is responsible
3 for the development, implementation, and supervision of the Victim/Witness Assistance
4 Division, Domestic Violence Victim Advocacy, and the Adult and Juvenile Diversion
5 Programs, all of which currently provide services to approximately two thousand
6 individuals; and

7 WHEREAS, the Victim/Witness Assistance Division is a source of great pride for
8 Ms. Mattix, as the division serves as a direct and active response to the violent crime on the
9 streets of New Orleans; and

10 WHEREAS, in addition to assisting victims and witnesses through the criminal
11 justice process, the master's level counselors and social workers are also part of the Crime
12 Scene Response Team, which reports to the scene of all homicides and meets with all sexual
13 assault victims at the time of reporting; and

14 WHEREAS, as part of this division, Ms. Mattix is able to meet the basic needs of
15 clients while empowering and guiding them through the often long and difficult process of
16 prosecution; and

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Mattix, along with District Attorney Leon Cannizzaro, became an
18 integral part in the moving of domestic violence cases from the municipal court to the
19 criminal court, and this move allowed batterers to receive higher bonds and harsher
20 sentences; and

21 WHEREAS, upon her appointment, Ms. Mattix began a thorough revamping of the
22 Juvenile and Adult Diversion Programs, which hold offenders accountable but also provide
23 an opportunity for nonviolent offenders to avoid a criminal conviction and the long-term
24 consequences of that conviction; and

25 WHEREAS, Ms. Mattix is a loving wife to her husband, Keith Milano, and is a
26 devoted mother to her two children, Ian Mattix and Adriana Milano; and

27 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the
28 Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence
29 across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and

1 WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics
2 of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are
3 committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

4 WHEREAS, this year, there were seven categories for the Women of Excellence
5 Awards: Business, Culinary Arts, Education, Law and Justice, Volunteerism and Civic
6 Involvement, Young High School Woman of Excellence, and Young Woman of Excellence;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2010 Women of Excellence Awards are being
9 recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of
10 Excellence Awards Gala on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, in Baton Rouge; and

11 WHEREAS, Andree D. Mattix received a 2010 Women of Excellence Award in the
12 category of Law and Justice; and

13 WHEREAS, Andree D. Mattix merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of
14 commendation for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
16 commend Andree D. Mattix of New Orleans upon her receipt of a 2010 Women of
17 Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation, does hereby
18 recognize and record for posterity her singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana as
19 an active and dedicated community servant, and does hereby extend enduring appreciation
20 for the tremendous honor and pride that she brings to her family, friends, and community,
21 the city of New Orleans, and the state of Louisiana.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
23 to Andree D. Mattix.

DIGEST

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