

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 172

BY REPRESENTATIVE PONTI

A RESOLUTION

To commend Jimmy Field for his accomplishments during sixteen years of service on the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Jimmy Field for his exceptional service as a member of the Louisiana Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Mr. Field is a graduate of University High School and Louisiana State University and earned his juris doctor degree from LSU law school in 1966; and

WHEREAS, since 1996, Mr. Field has served with dedication and distinction as a member of the Louisiana Public Service Commission (PSC); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Field currently serves as vice chairman of the PSC and represents the Second PSC District, which covers all or parts of twelve parishes: East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberia, Iberville, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, St. Martin, St. Mary, Terrebonne, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Field has played an integral role in many of the Louisiana Public Service Commission's achievements, including that Louisiana's residential electric rates are currently among the lowest in the nation and that the state's electric consumers have received more than two billion dollars in savings in the form of refunds, rate reductions, and the use of securitization; also during his tenure, the commission has implemented local telephone service rules, which have led to innovation and competition, and introduced the successful Do-Not-Call Program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Field's term of service on the commission ends on December 31, 2012, and he has opted not to run for reelection; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Field is the devoted husband of his wife of fifty-one years, Laura, the father of four grown children, and has fifteen grandchildren, and he continues to practice law part-time; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Field has long been an active member of his profession and community, serving as a practicing attorney in Baton Rouge since 1966, a National Football League contract advisor, and a member of the Sports Lawyers Association, the Baton Rouge Bar Association, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Electrical Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of the state's communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure on the dedication of public servants like Jimmy Field; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Field merits a special measure of commendation for the tremendous pride and honor that he brings to his family, friends, community, and state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Jimmy Field for his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions during sixteen years of dedicated and highly effective service on the Louisiana Public Service Commission and does hereby extend to him best wishes for full measures of continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Jimmy Field.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES