

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 187

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Neeb's Hardware Store on more than a century of business service to the Gretna community

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Neeb's Hardware Store on more than a century of business service to the
3 Gretna community.

4 WHEREAS, Neeb's Hardware Store was opened in 1917 by John E. Neeb, and John
5 Donewar began working at the store in 1934; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Donewar left the store in 1941 during World War II to join the
7 United States Army; after the war, he returned to work at Neeb's; in 1957, Mr. Neeb retired
8 and sold the business to him with a condition that he not change the store's name for at least
9 three years; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Donewar never changed the store's name and retired in 1978; he
11 sold the store to his son, Ken Donewar; Ken chose to keep the store's original name, despite
12 fifty-seven years having passed since the original agreement period ended; and

13 WHEREAS, ironically, Mr. Donewar has been called "Mr. Neeb" by many of his
14 customers over the course of his ownership; Neeb's Hardware Store has been an integral and
15 historical fixture in Gretna and its role in the city's history is worthy of recording for
16 posterity.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Neeb's Hardware on more than a century of
19 business service to the Gretna community and does hereby note the historical significance
20 of this stalwart institution and the civic and economic contributions of its owners.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ken
2 Donewar.

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