

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 221

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Robert Powell III on all of his hard work and his many accomplishments.

WHEREAS, Robert Powell III was born with a natural ability to make people laugh; a graduate of Wossman High School in Monroe, Louisiana, Powell got his start in comedy at the Funny Bone in Shreveport, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Robert Powell III, aka "RP3" started doing comedy in college as a dare and has been doing it ever since; and

WHEREAS, Powell is a member of the Association for the Promotion of Campus Activities (APCA) and has served as host of the APCA conference in Houston, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Robert Powell III became the official opening act for the "Rickey Smiley and Friends Tour" in 2005 and in just a few short years has already performed alongside well-known comedians such as Kevin Hart, Lil' Duval, Rickey Smiley, Mike Epps, DL Hughley, Rodney Perry, Cedric the Entertainer, Ron White, and many more; and

WHEREAS, Robert was blessed to be named Louisiana's Comedian of the Year three years in a row and was discovered by "Shaq's All-Star Comedy Jam" in February 2012 at the first "Shaq's Next All Star Competition"; he toured with the "Shaq All-Star Comedy Jam Tour" in 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, Powell is the first comic in the history of the tour's franchise to make his television debut as a Shaq All-Star, the youngest to tape an All-Star special, as well as the first urban comic to make a broadcast debut on the Showtime Network.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Robert S. Powell III for all of his hard work and many accomplishments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Robert S. Powell III.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES