

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY SENATOR LONG

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Russ Springer on being named to the 2018 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Russ Springer on being named to the 2018 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

3 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in Natchitoches, Louisiana, each year  
4 collaborates with the Louisiana Sports Writers Association in selecting a limited number of  
5 sports figures who embody the character, skill, and talents worthy of being named to the hall  
6 of fame; and

7 WHEREAS, Russ Springer was born November 7, 1968, in Alexandria and attended  
8 Louisiana State University, where as a freshman he set an SEC strikeout-per-nine-innings  
9 record and went on to have a 19-10 career record with a 3.39 ERA and 313 career strikeouts  
10 in 252 innings while pitching for the Tigers; and

11 WHEREAS, in 1989, he began his professional baseball career as a seventh-round  
12 pick of the New York Yankees and went on to appear in 740 games as a Yankee; and

13 WHEREAS, from 1992-2010, Russ played an impressive 18 major league seasons  
14 for 10 different teams and accumulated 755 strikeouts over 856 innings; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2007 and 2008 while playing for the St. Louis Cardinals he had a  
16 career high and went 10-2 with an average ERA of 2.25 and 111 strikeouts; and

17 WHEREAS, in 2007, Russ Springer received the prestigious Darryl Kile Good Guy  
18 Award for exemplifying the traits of a good teammate, a great friend, a fine father, and a

1 humble man; and

2 WHEREAS, his skills and contributions helped bring three teams to the World Series  
3 throughout his career, the 1999 Atlanta Braves, the 2001 Arizona Diamondbacks, and the  
4 2005 Houston Astros; and

5 WHEREAS, Russ Springer's impeccable pitching in Game 6 of the 1999 National  
6 League Division Series against the New York Mets clinched the National League pennant  
7 for the Atlanta Braves; and

8 WHEREAS, the influential and successful career of Russ Springer has rightly earned  
9 him a place among the many greats in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
11 commend and congratulate Russ Springer on being named to the 2018 Louisiana Sports Hall  
12 of Fame Induction Class.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Russ  
14 Springer.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Ashley Menou.

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