

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 120

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A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate R. Paul Fernandez on the occasion of his retirement from state service.

WHEREAS, Paul Fernandez has rendered distinguished service to the state of Louisiana, beginning his career in 1996, and faithfully serving the Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) for the entirety of his twenty-eight-year tenure; and

WHEREAS, during his career, Paul Fernandez served under five administrations, contributed to the development of twenty-eight executive budgets, and took on the critical role of coordinating and publishing the Governor's Executive Budget document for eighteen of his years; and

WHEREAS, Paul Fernandez demonstrated himself to be a dependable, well-organized, and proactive professional, whose diligence and commitment to providing thorough and well-analyzed financial information have earned him distinct recognition and respect; and

WHEREAS, Paul Fernandez's dedication to achieving the highest standards of accuracy in financial information has brought credit upon himself, the OPB, and the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Paul Fernandez is a 1982 graduate of Tara High School, a graduate of Louisiana State University where he earned both a Bachelor of Science in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration, and he honorably served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a Corporal and Hydraulic Pneumatic Technician; and

WHEREAS, Paul Fernandez is a devoted family man, sharing his life with his wife, Laura Fernandez, and their three children, Ethan, Jake, and Madeline; and

WHEREAS, his commitment to the community is evident in his involvement with the Boy Scouts of America, where he served as a Webelos Den Leader and a Scout Master; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional and civic contributions, Paul Fernandez enjoys hobbies that include weight lifting, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, and cooking.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate R. Paul Fernandez on the occasion on his retirement from state service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to R. Paul Fernandez.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE