

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 202

BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Sharon Perez upon her retirement as a House public finance specialist after 40 years of state public service

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Sharon Perez upon her retirement as a public finance specialist for the
3 Louisiana House of Representatives after forty years of highly productive and
4 effective state public service.

5 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to extend a sincere and heartfelt measure of
6 commendation to Sharon Perez for an outstanding career in public service upon her
7 retirement from the staff of the Louisiana House of Representatives; and

8 WHEREAS, Sharon Perez has shared her time and talents as a state employee since
9 June of 1975, when she began her long and distinguished career with the office of the state
10 treasurer, where her titles included bond analyst, local debt manager, and debt officer and
11 where in 1996 she became the executive director of the Bond Commission, a position in
12 which she served with great distinction; and

13 WHEREAS, Sharon's tenure with the Bond Commission ended in 2004 when
14 Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco named her undersecretary for the office of
15 management and finance at the Department of Economic Development; and

16 WHEREAS, Sharon served as the undersecretary of this office, which is the
17 administrative arm of the state's economic programs and includes management and finance,
18 accounting, budget development and control, procurement and contract management,
19 information technology, program analysis, and personnel management, until joining the
20 House of Representatives staff as a public finance specialist in 2008; and

1 WHEREAS, among Sharon's duties as a public finance specialist has been her
2 service as the House of Representatives staff liaison to the Bond Commission, including
3 meeting for agenda review prior to each commission meeting and serving as a working
4 group member on various state issues; her participation in this capacity has included many
5 meetings and conference calls as well as reviewing and editing various bond documents,
6 presentations, reports, and preliminary official statements; and

7 WHEREAS, Sharon has also served as the speaker's representative on the executive
8 Committee of the Bond Commission, evaluating on his behalf proposals submitted by bond
9 attorneys and underwriting firms for various state level financing; and

10 WHEREAS, prior to her state employment, Sharon, who is a native of Lebeau,
11 Louisiana, and has a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Louisiana
12 State University, was an accountant in the trust department of American Bank and a credit
13 analyst for Louisiana National Bank; and

14 WHEREAS, Sharon is married to Frank Perez, who is a retired state employee and
15 was general counsel for the Department of Health and Hospital for many years, and the
16 mother of Stephanie Christine Blanchard and has served as a board member for the
17 Louisiana's Women's Policy and Research Committee, the Louisiana Transportation
18 Authority, the East Baton Rouge Mortgage Finance Authority, YELP!, and the Baton Rouge
19 Gallery; she is an avid traveler and fan of all Louisiana State University sports and the New
20 Orleans Saints and has an extraordinary love for all animals; and

21 WHEREAS, upon her retirement, Sharon will be greatly missed by the members and
22 staff of the Louisiana House of Representatives, who will continue to respect and admire her,
23 value her friendship, and appreciate her vast knowledge of movies, Broadway plays, and
24 exotic foods; and

25 WHEREAS, Sharon Perez will remain an inspiration to her fellow citizens for the
26 vital contributions she has made in her career of highly effective public service, and she
27 merits the highest commendation and sincere congratulations for her exemplary term of
28 service and for her singular contributions to this state, whose citizens will long reap the
29 benefits of her legacy of excellence and professionalism.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Sharon Perez upon her retirement as a public
3 finance specialist for the Louisiana House of Representatives; does hereby record for
4 posterity her noble accomplishments during four decades of dedicated and productive state
5 public service; does hereby express gratitude for her many years of distinguished service and
6 for the able assistance she has given to the House of Representatives, its members, and staff;
7 does hereby pay tribute to her for the generous way in which she has dedicated her
8 intelligence and her energy to the service of her state; does hereby express enduring
9 appreciation for the deep sense of pride and honor she brings to the House of
10 Representatives, the legislature, and the state of Louisiana; and does hereby extend to her
11 every good wish for continued success and happiness in all of her future endeavors.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
13 to Sharon Perez.

DIGEST

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