

RESOLUTION NO. 31 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DR. MARKEY PIERRE, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN JAMES GREEN

WHEREAS, Dr. Markey Pierré is the first African American to hold the title of Vice-Chancellor at LSU Health Shreveport, working for the school's Department of External Affairs and Chief of Staff; and

WHEREAS, she provides effective communication and guidance as it relates to external affairs reaching local, state, and federal agencies. In partnership with the Senior and Human Resource leadership for LSU Health Shreveport, Dr. Pierré leads the planning of special events to ensure there is diversity and inclusion in recruitment and retention of groups underrepresented in healthcare; and

WHEREAS, throughout her professional career, Dr. Pierré has earned numerous honors for her professional excellence and unwavering commitment to community service. She has received the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Businesswoman of the Year Award for Shreveport-Bossier African American Chamber of Commerce and was named one of the Top Businesswomen in Shreveport Bossier by SB Magazine. Dr. Pierré is also a recipient of the prestigious Virginia K. Shehee Most Influential Woman Award and she broke barriers by becoming the first African American woman to chair the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and the Independence Bowl of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS Dr. Pierré is also an author. Her first book, *Win from the Beginning* is a book full of inspiration and encouragement that sheds light on her journey, overcoming loss, and her success principles. She also has a digital resource called *The Beautiful Deal: The Woman's Negotiating Guide*.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Markey Pierré says she stands on the shoulders of many individuals who have entered into her life. While she has received numerous awards and accolades from the community, what she believes matters most is that in all you have done — were you able to help someone in the process, did you make a difference.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the City Council would like to recognize trailblazer Dr. Markey Pierré.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office