RESOLUTION NO. 41 OF 2025

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION

REQUESTING UNITED STATES SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND 4TH CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON INVITE CADDO PARISH RESIDENT, KEN KREFFT TO PERFORM A DRAMATIC RECITATION BEFORE CONGRESS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission recognizes and appreciates the influence of Speak of the House Mike Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish is proud to share the unique skills and talents of our local residents with the world, especially when those talents reflect patriotism and commitment to our great nation; and

WHEREAS, Ken Krefft is a retired public servant who has been an active community member for many years, and in addition to his public service and volunteer work with neighborhood associations, retirement boards and other civic groups- he has become known for his dramatic recitations of famous American speeches and documents; and

WHEREAS, his performances of memorized American moments ranging from a costumed recitation of "The Declaration of Independence," to a somber but impassioned recitation of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech have earned him the respect of a wide variety of audiences and he has performed at public meetings on the local and state level as well as in Washington, DC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission hereby respectfully requests that Speaker of the House Mike Johnson extend an invitation if and when appropriate for Mr. Ken Krefft to perform a recitation to an audience of Congressional members or other appropriate occasion where such a patriotic performance would add meaning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications 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 the Caddo Parish Commission Clerk is hereby instructed to immediately send an official copy of this resolution to the local Federal Delegation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:
Parish Attorney
Date

I, Jeff Everson, Caddo Parish Commission Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the transaction of said body in a Regular session convened on the 20th day of February, 2025, and is so recorded in Minute Book No. 80, at Page 26.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 20th day of February, 2025.

Clerk of Parish Commission Caddo Parish, Louisiana