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Louisiana Senate and House Passes Ronald Reagan Highway Bill

Supporters of the Reagan Legacy Urge Gov. Blanco's Approval

WASHINGTON –The Ronald Reagan Legacy Project praises the Louisiana Senate and House for partaking in a nation-wide movement in preserving the legacy of one of American's greatest presidents. Today, Louisiana House Bill no. 7, naming a portion of US Highway 190 the Ronald Reagan Highway, was sent to Governor Kathleen Blanco (D-La) and awaits her approval.

“Ronald Reagan led the nation out of a economic crisis and boldly led the free world against an evil empire,” said Grover Norquist, taxpayer advocate and president of the Ronald Reagan Legacy Project. **“He breathed confidence into the American economy by reducing income tax bracket from 70 percent to 28 percent and he led America's victory in the Cold War”**

During Reagan's reelection, it was proven that his efforts to fight communism and success in pulling Americans out of an economic recession did not go unnoticed by the people of Louisiana. Louisiana was one of 49 states that embraced Reagan's leadership, and his pool of Louisiana supporters grew from the 51.2% that defeated Carter in 1980 to 60.77% in 1984. In Louisiana's history of presidential elections, Reagan has held the record for the largest majority of supporters for two consecutive elections in the past 60 years.

Louisiana House Bill No. 7 was sponsored by Representative Michael Strain (R – District 74), passed by the House on April 15, 2004, and recently passed by the Senate on May 26, 2004. The Bill made its way to the Governor's office today.

“Thanks to leaders in the Louisiana House and Senate, future generations in Louisiana will be reminded of Reagan's achievements and inspired by his leadership, which is why we urge Gov. Blanco to side with the people of Louisiana in preserving Reagan's legacy of freedom and economic prosperity by approving the Ronald Reagan Highway Bill,” said Norquist.

The RRLP is committed to preserving the legacy of one of America's greatest presidents. Among it's aims, the Project seeks to name at least one monument to President Reagan in each of America's counties, and in nations that were once Communist. Grover Norquist, the RRLP President is a long time Washington insider. He is available for interviews about Ronald Reagan's legacy and the goals of the project. Please Chris Butler at 202-785-0266 or cbutler@atr.org