

## In the Name and By the Authority of The Caddo Parish Commission RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

## to SHIRLEY SIMMONS SNELL

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission is always pleased to recognize and honor those sons and daughters of Caddo Parish who have gone forth to gain singular and outstanding personal achievements, and in so doing, reflect favorably and positively upon their home community; and

WHEREAS, MS. SHIRLEY SIMMONS SNELL, a Shreveport native and graduate of Northwestern State University who has achieved tremendous success throughout her Softball career, beginning in the Amateur Softball Association where she was the 6<sup>th</sup> person and 1<sup>st</sup> Slow Pitch Player to be inducted into the ASA Softball Hall of Fame in 2013 after a career that included 5 All American titles, competing in the National Championships 6 times, Home Run Champion in 1994 and 2001, Tournament MVP in 1996, Batting Champion in 1994, and included notable feats such as her 1998 record setting home run during the Women's Class B Slow Pitch National Championship when she hit a home run at 350 feet, becoming the 1st woman to hit a ball that distance at the Bloomington Complex;

WHEREAS, Snell's record of success didn't slow down as she transitioned her career into the Senior Softball USA where she continued to blaze a path of success that includes 5 straight World Masters Championships with her team, the Dreamgirlz, 5 Straight Triple Grand Slam Titles, 2 Batting titles in the Tournament of Champions, a 2009 Women's World Series Championship with the Kinder Sharks, and a consistent path of 1<sup>st</sup> places in Senior Softball and SPA Softball with the Dreamgirlz from 2013 through 2019, being named All tournament several times and selected as the 2017 MVP; and

WHEREAS, Snell's distinguished career has been rightfully honored with as second Hall of Fame induction, this time into the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame where she was inducted earlier this month in Las Vegas, NV; Terry Hennessey, CEO of Senior Softball USA says in her nomination letter of Snell, "She is a key impact player on the Dreamgirlz first 50 Women's Major Plus team. She has played the hot corner at 3<sup>rd</sup> base and played down in age for the past 5 years which is a clear indication of the depth of her talent as a fielder and hitter,";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Caddo Parish Commission in legal and regular session this 21st day of October, 2021, that it does hereby extend its most sincere and heartfelt expressions of recognition and appreciation to **MS. SHIRLEY SIMMONS SNELL** for her praiseworthy achievements and for representing Caddo Parish so elegantly and admirably through her consistently impressive Softball career and especially upon her induction into her 2<sup>nd</sup> Hall of Fame, the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame. We ask all Caddo Citizens to join us in our recognition and celebration of Ms. Snell's talents and accomplishments which have brought pride to our community.

ATTEST:

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