

# State of Louisiana



Parish of Caddo  
In the Name and By the Authority of The  
Caddo Parish Commission

## Proclamation

### *Rev. Dr. Elbert W. "Eddie" Giles Memorial Highway*

*WHEREAS*, it is the desire of the Caddo Parish Commission to give appropriate acknowledgement and recognition to individuals who have rendered invaluable service to the citizens of Caddo Parish; and

*WHEREAS*, such an individual, **Reverend Dr. Elbert W. "Eddie" Giles** was born in Frierson, Louisiana, and was a staple to the Northwest Louisiana community as KOKA's radio personality for more than 45 years. Dr. Giles, also known as the 'Radio Pastor', retired from Alpha Media in August of 2018, holding the longest tenure as a gospel radio broadcaster; and

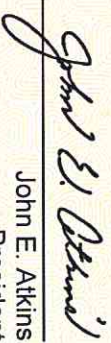
*WHEREAS*, Dr. Giles had a servant's heart and dedicated his life to his community. He was a founding member of Pastors on Patrol with the Shreveport Police Department as well as being a member of the International Conference of Police Chaplains; and

*WHEREAS*, Dr. Giles and his wife, Reverend Brenda Giles, also co-founded The Shepherd's Farm CDLC, a nonprofit organization who assists children in Shreveport and surrounding areas with outreach programs designed to level the academic playing field for underserved youth; and

*WHEREAS*, on June, 2021, Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards signed a bill authored by State Representative Sam Jenkins, Jr. to designate the 300 and 400 block of Hearne Avenue (Louisiana Hwy 3094) in Shreveport, Louisiana, as the "Rev. Dr. Elbert W. "Eddie" Giles Memorial Highway" to the late great **Dr. Giles** who went to meet his heavenly father on February 5, 2019; and

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*, by the Caddo Parish Commission, that it does hereby welcome local and state officials, longtime colleagues, co-workers, pastors, friends, and family for attending this street dedication ceremony on today, Sunday, April 3, 2022 for the **Rev. Dr. Elbert W. "Eddie" Giles Memorial Highway** in honor of Dr. Giles' life and legacy to this community, city, parish, and state.

ATTEST:

  
John E. Atkins  
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