STATEMENT OF RESIGNATION FROM THE LOUISIANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REPRESENTATIVE MIKE POWELL, DISTRICT 6

SHREVEPORT-----Following nine years of service on the Caddo Parish School Board and four years of service in the Louisiana House of Representatives, I am today officially resigning my seat, House District 6.

I am doing so at this time because it has become clear to me the needs of my family come first and the time required in my current elective position has simply become more than I can successfully give. As a father of seven, the needs of my children, as all would agree, are my first obligation and priority.

The travel and time required by the House has not allowed me the time to properly be as much a part of my family as I would like nor as much as they need. Not only is my obligation to my marriage and to my family, that is where my heart is as well.

By making this announcement at this time, a new District 6 Representative will be able to be elected before the beginning of the 2008 legislative regular session.

I have truly enjoyed my tenure in the House and greatly appreciate the support given me by those I have represented over these years.

Mike Powell