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State Civil Service Director to Receive Rooney Leadership Award

Baton Rouge, La. – The Louisiana Department of State Civil Service is pleased to announce that State Civil Service Director Shannon Templet is the recipient of the 2012 Rooney Leadership Award.

This award, given by the National Association of State Personnel Executives, recognizes great accomplishment by state government human resource management professionals.

Some of the highlights attributing to Templet's selection include the expansion of the State's Comprehensive Public Training Program, the implementation of the Performance Evaluation System, improved layoff rules and the adoption of improved Optional Pay Guidelines.

Templet currently serves as Secretary/Treasurer of NASPE and has been active in the association since her appointment as State Civil Service Director. Moreover, as a member of the Executive Board, she supported changes to the membership thus expanding the association's mission and commitment to its members.

Templet will be honored at NASPE's Annual Awards Banquet on July 24, 2012 during the association's 2012 Annual Meeting in Jersey City, NJ.

The Rooney Awards Program was established in memory of Eugene H. Rooney, Jr., who served as NASPE President during at time of great growth for the organization. This awards program recognizes individuals who exemplify character, qualities and influence that Rooney had on state government human resource management (Leadership Award).

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