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**STATE SENATE PRESIDENT JOHN A. ALARIO, JR. RECEIVES WESTBANK BUSINESS AND
INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION'S LEGACY AWARD**

State Senate President John A. Alario, Jr. is the recipient of the Westbank Business and Industry Association's (WBIA) Legacy Award, the first of its kind in WBIA's 70-year history. WBIA honored President Alario at the association's annual Celebration and Installation of Officers dinner on May 18, 2017. The Legacy Award recognizes President Alario for his outstanding service to the Westbank business community, overall advancement of economic development, and steadfast efforts to improve the quality of life for all citizens.

Senator Alario, who hails from Westwego, is currently serving his second term as president of the Louisiana Senate. He previously served two terms as speaker in the Louisiana House of Representatives.

"I am both honored and humbled by this recognition," President Alario said. "The Westbank is my home and its business community and citizens have been and will always be a top priority for me in the legislature. I look forward to continuing to work with the WBIA as we persist in our efforts to move the area forward."

WBIA, formerly known as the Harvey Canal Industrial Association, was founded in 1946 as a collaborative effort of the business community to support, improve and protect the interests of its membership along the Harvey Canal Corridor and surrounding Westbank communities.

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