

ROYCE DUPLESSIS

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Representative Royce Duplessis Qualifies to Run for Louisiana Senate District 5

District covers parts of both Orleans and Jefferson parishes

NEW ORLEANS, LA – State Representative Royce Duplessis qualified to run for the vacated Senate District 5 seat on Wednesday, July 20, 2022 and highlighted the need for action on the most important issues facing the Greater New Orleans region.

“The major issues we are facing like rising crime, crumbling roads, attacks on reproductive healthcare, and more are decided at our state’s capitol,” said Duplessis. “The residents of Senate District 5 deserve an effective leader who not only understands the challenges of working people, families, and business owners but is also willing to fight for them. Now is the time for less rhetoric and more results that help people thrive.”

Throughout his legislative career, Royce has passed smarter criminal justice laws, as well as legislation promoting economic development, expanding access to healthcare, and improving early literacy. He has also prioritized efforts to allow for paid sick leave, living wages, and more affordable housing.

“I have the track record of building coalitions around diverse needs and delivering for my constituents, ” said Duplessis. “I know we can work together to create a safer, healthier, and more prosperous community by taking action on increasing public safety, creating more jobs with living wages, investing in streets and drainage, protecting reproductive health, advocating for our vulnerable LGBTQ+ youth, and so much more.”

During his time in the House of Representatives, Duplessis has been awarded the 2022 Mondale-Brooke Award by the Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center, was named a 2021 E Pluribus Unum Fund Fellow, the Louisiana Center for Development and Learning 2021 Legislator of the Year, the Childcare Association of Louisiana 2019 Legislator of the Year, and a 2017 New Orleans Regional Leadership Institute Fellow and Leadership Award Recipient.

Rep. Duplessis is a volunteer mentor to male teenagers through the nationally-renowned Silverback Society. In his legal practice with the Duplessis Law Firm, he has had many successes primarily focusing on civil litigation.

Prior to serving in the Legislature, Rep. Duplessis worked as chief of staff to former New Orleans City Councilmember James Carter, law clerk for Judge Thomas J. Motley on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and special counsel for the Louisiana Supreme Court. He is also a past president of the Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, a former chairman of the New Orleans City Planning Commission, and co-founder and past president of the A.P. Tureaud, Sr. Legacy Committee.

Rep. Duplessis is a graduate of St. Augustine High School, Xavier University of Louisiana, and Howard University School of Law. He is married with one daughter.

Learn more about Rep. Duplessis and his candidacy by visiting RoyceDuplessis.com.



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