

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 155

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Alliance of the Boys and Girls Clubs for its hard work and dedication on behalf of Louisiana's youth.

WHEREAS, the young people of Louisiana are tomorrow's leaders, and there is a need for professional youth services to help them achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs in Louisiana provide programs in character and leadership development, health and life skills, education and career development, the arts, and sports and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs in Louisiana provide a positive place for youth by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, and belonging; and

WHEREAS, the majority of youth attending a Boys or Girls Club say that the club is the only safe place in their neighborhood to go after school; and

WHEREAS, fifty-seven percent of the alumni of the Boys and Girls Clubs feel that the club saved their life; and

WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs in Louisiana enable young people, especially those who need them the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, there are thirty-two Boys and Girls Club sites in the state of Louisiana representing twelve organizations that provide services to over twenty-seven thousand youth each year; and

WHEREAS, these Boys and Girls Clubs employ over four hundred twenty persons and maintain over sixteen hundred volunteers to provide supportive relationships and to help mentor the youth of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize and commend the Louisiana Alliance of the Boys and Girls Clubs, its staff, and volunteers, for providing a positive and safe environment for the youth of our state, does hereby welcome all of them to the state capitol, and does hereby commend them for their vision, commitment, and dedication to preparing the next generation of Louisiana's leaders to become successful and integral contributors to society.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the Louisiana Alliance of the Boys and Girls Clubs.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE