HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 159

BY REPRESENTATIVE GUINN AND SENATOR MORRISH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Jennings High School track and field team upon being recognized by the Louisiana High School Athletic Association as the rightful winner of the Class 4A state championship in the boys 4x100 meter relay event.

WHEREAS, the members of the Jennings High School boys 4x100 meter relay team completed a sensational season at the state championship meet at Louisiana State University's Bernie Moore Stadium on Saturday, May 7, 2011; and

WHEREAS, though the relay team was disqualified for an early handoff during the meet, it has received an official apology from the Louisiana High School Athletic Association, which, upon reviewing video footage, has found that the team members committed no infractions and in fact should have been named the state champions; and

WHEREAS, this superb relay team finished their event with a time of 41.49, almost a full second ahead of their competition; and

WHEREAS, the talented members of the relay team, who also won this event in 2010, were Bryson Abraham, Davondrick Phillips, Michael Wildridge, and Aaron Perkins; and

WHEREAS, these athletes competed at the highest level of excellence throughout not only this season and the state championship meet but their entire high school careers, and each deserves recognition for his vital contributions to the team; and

WHEREAS, head coach John Richardson also deserves special recognition, as do the other individuals who contribute to the success of the school's track and field program; and

WHEREAS, the 4x100 relay team has upheld the glorious tradition of the Bulldogs, and all Jennings High School alumni and fans recognize the immense pride and distinguished honor that the team brings to its school, to its community, and to the state of Louisiana.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Jennings High School track and field team upon being recognized by the Louisiana High School Athletic Association as the rightful winner of the Class 4A state championship in the boys 4x100 meter relay event and does hereby extend best wishes to the athletes, head coach, and everyone involved with this fine track and field program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the head coach of the Jennings High School track and field team and to each member of the 4x100 relay team.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE