

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

BY SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVE DWIGHT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Alexis Bauer upon being chosen as a recipient of the 2016 Young Heroes Award.

WHEREAS, Alexis Bauer is a sophomore at Sam Houston High School in Lake Charles and has faced considerable challenges in her young life, striving to overcome all of these obstacles; and

WHEREAS, sixteen-year-old Alexis was born with High Functioning Cerebral Palsy and, as a small child, she suffered seizures; and

WHEREAS, Alexis began life struggling with aspects of life that come easily to most other children; and

WHEREAS, despite her challenges, Alexis has maintained a 4.0 grade point average in high school while also being involved in a number of extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Alexis Bauer has served as manager of the Sam Houston High School Broncos basketball team and has worked with a suicide prevention and awareness group; and

WHEREAS, living in a single-parent household, Alexis has spent many of her evenings caring for one or more of her five younger siblings; and

WHEREAS, Alexis Bauer has served as a positive role model to both her younger siblings and her classmates and fellow students at Sam Houston High School; and

WHEREAS, Alexis is one of eight high school students in Louisiana to be chosen to receive this award sponsored by Louisiana Public Broadcasting and the Rotary Club of Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this program was underwritten this year by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Louisiana and CenturyLink; and

WHEREAS, the Young Heroes program, now in its twenty-first year, celebrates the achievements of students who have excelled in the classroom, served their communities, and inspired those around them, often prevailing over significant challenges; and

WHEREAS, Alexis and her fellow award winners have proven themselves by demonstrating their tenacity and inner strength in the face of obstacles that would be daunting to any adult, let alone a young person; and

WHEREAS, Alexis Bauer's siblings, her mother, and her classmates have been the beneficiaries of Alexis' commitment to excellence in her school work and to being a positive influence in their lives and the lives of her peers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Alexis Bauer upon being chosen as a recipient of the 2016 Young Heroes Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Heather Willis, counselor at Sam Houston High School in Lake Charles.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES