

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 102

BY SENATOR HEWITT

A RESOLUTION

To commend LSU Health New Orleans for its dedication to forming, promoting, and sustaining STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math) programs specifically focused on increasing diversity in the sciences.

WHEREAS, LSU Health New Orleans has undertaken multiple programs, established various offices, and pursued numerous grants to increase diversity in STEM programs; and

WHEREAS, it has been widely recognized that early exposure to STEM programs, professionals, and careers will lead to greater confidence and higher participation rates for youth as they make decisions regarding their education and career; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health New Orleans has a rich heritage of engaging in health career STEM outreach to foster awareness and aspiration for careers in health professions for kindergarten through high school students; and

WHEREAS, programs established by LSU Health New Orleans in STEM outreach include the New Orleans Schools Partnership, Hands-on Genetics and Health Education Workshop, Science Youth Initiative, Research Experiences for Undergraduates, Summer Research Internship Program, Post-baccalaureate Research Education Program, and Tiger Cubs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Maupin, Dr. Fern Tsien, and Dr. Paula Gregory have been instrumental leaders in advancing LSU Health's focus on STEM awareness in Louisiana youth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend LSU Health New Orleans for its dedication to forming, promoting, and sustaining STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math) programs specifically focused on increasing diversity in the sciences.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LSU Health New Orleans, Dr. Maupin, Dr. Tsien, and Dr. Gregory are hereby commended for outstanding progress toward increasing diversity in STEM programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Dr. Larry Hollier, Chancellor of LSU Health New Orleans.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE