SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 133 BY SENATOR SHAW

A RESOLUTION

To commend Annalise Lee Gunn of C.E. Byrd High School upon her selection as a representative of Louisiana at the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress.

WHEREAS, Annalise Lee Gunn attended the Louisiana Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar, held from June 4 through June 6, 2010, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership program was established in 1958 by popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa, where he met with famed humanitarian Dr. Albert Schweitzer and was inspired to create an organization designed to encourage young people to take leadership roles in society; and

WHEREAS, Annalise Lee Gunn was joined by one hundred twenty one other young leaders who represented their high schools throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, these young individuals discussed the core values of the HOBY organization, including the impact of volunteering in one's community, the partnership in community, and an appreciation and need for diversity in our culture; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress is held every year in conjunction with a major United States university, and the World Leadership Congress (WLC) brings together young men and women from around the world for a week-long intensive educational leadership conference; and

WHEREAS, Annalise Lee Gunn was chosen as an alternate to represent Louisiana at the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress, which is being held July 23 through July 30, 2010, at University of California in Los Angeles, California; and

WHEREAS, in September of each year, HOBY sends nomination materials to every accredited public and private high school in the United States, and each high school is invited to select one sophomore with demonstrated leadership abilities and potential to attend regional spring HOBY seminars; and WHEREAS, at the World Leadership Congress, students learn firsthand about other cultures and opinions, form friendships, and exchange ideas in an environment where they can feel comfortable in open discussions with their peers, learning to voice how they have shaped and formed their own views about the role of leadership in society; and

WHEREAS, Hugh O'Brian believes the most important thing in education is to teach young people to think for themselves, which, as a result of the more than three hundred thousand HOBY alumni, has influenced and inspired young people to become more involved in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress seeks to inspire high school students to excel as leaders, using friendship with others as a catalyst for their learning experience.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Annalise Lee Gunn upon her selection as a representative of Louisiana at the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress in Los Angeles, California, and does hereby recognize the pride and honor that this wonderful young woman has brought to her family, friends, and community and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Annalise Lee Gunn.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE