

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

A RESOLUTION

To commend Eagle Scout John Michael Long, a member of the Boy Scouts of America Venture Crew 7 at the Catholic Deaf Center, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on his selection as the 2009 outstanding Eagle Scout by the Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

WHEREAS, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was organized in 1889 as a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of the men who served in the Continental Congress, signed the Declaration of Independence, wintered at Valley Forge, fought in the battles of the American Revolution, or otherwise supported the cause of American Independence; and

WHEREAS, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution perpetuates the memory of Revolutionary War patriots, fosters true patriotism, inspires communities with a reverence for the principles of government founded by our forefathers, and honors outstanding and patriotic service to our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America was organized in 1910 to provide boys an educational program to build character, to train in the responsibilities of citizenship, and to develop personal fitness; and

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America awards its highest rank of Eagle Scout to scouts who have fulfilled the requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills; earned at least twenty-one merit badges, signifying the mastery of scout skills, including Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, and Citizenship in the World; and completed an Eagle Scout project rendering community service; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Scout John Michael Long, of the Boy Scouts of America Venture Crew 7 at the Catholic Deaf Center, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was honored as the 2009 Outstanding Eagle Scout by the General Philemon Thomas Chapter of the Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and received the distinguished SAR Eagle Scout Medal; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Scout John Michael Long was the winner of the 2009 Eagle Scout Competition of the Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and received the coveted SAR EAGLE Scout trophy, a five hundred dollar U.S. Savings Bond, and the honor of representing Louisiana in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution's Eagle Scout competition; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Scout John Michael Long represents scouting's finest tradition of duty to God and country, duty to others, and duty to self and has been recognized as Louisiana's Outstanding Eagle Scout for 2009.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Eagle Scout John Michael Long on his outstanding achievements as an Eagle Scout and citizen and does hereby commend the Sons of the American Revolution for recognizing the patriotism and good citizenship of Louisiana's outstanding Eagle Scouts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to John Michael Long.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE