

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Kris Cangelosi on being selected to receive the Art Leadership Award at the 2014 Louisiana Culture Awards and to recognize her many achievements and contributions.

WHEREAS, Kris Cangelosi is a full-time business owner who directs a dance education program as artistic director for Cangelosi Dance Project and has a strong reputation as a dance leader in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work as a dance teacher six days a week, she has led many individual projects that demonstrate her commitment to the artistic discipline of dance, including mentoring high schools and other outreach programs and choreographing more than two hundred works a year that are performed at the Manship Theatre and other community events; and

WHEREAS, Kris Cangelosi has also taught at several prestigious dance schools throughout the United States and the world and, with forty years of performance experience, continues to perform today; and

WHEREAS, she graduated from St. Joseph's Academy in Baton Rouge in 1980, attained a bachelor's degree from Louisiana State University in choreography and performance in 1987 where she was a member of the LSU Dance Theatre and LSU Ballet Ensemble, and is certified in classical ballet, modern dance, and jazz dance from Dance Masters of America Chapter #37; and

WHEREAS, she is deeply involved in community services providing outreach performances for East Baton Rouge Parish, Big Buddy Program, The Red Shoes, Baton Rouge Gallery, United Way, and retirement homes, as an artist in elementary and middle schools, and performing in the BB Program Dancing with the Stars and Dancing for Cause Gonzales; and

WHEREAS, Kris is a member of LANO, Victory of Baton Rouge Cancer League, and LASM, is a sponsor for Women's Hospital Pink, LASM Gala, Baton Rouge Gallery, and is a Gold sponsor for Baton Rouge Parents Magazine; and

WHEREAS, she is a board member and honors chair for Krewe Mystique de la Capitale, board member for Prevent Child Abuse, and Program Volunteer in Education for United Way, and is active with Women in the Media, Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge, Manship Theatre, Theatre Baton Rouge, and Poydras Center in New Roads; and

WHEREAS, Kris has completed the Baton Rouge Area Chamber Leadership Program and the John Barton nonprofit leadership program; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Culture Awards are presented annually by the lieutenant governor and the office of cultural development to honor excellence in Louisiana culture and the 2014 program will be held on April 22, 2014.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Kris Cangelosi on being selected to receive the Arts Leadership Award at the 2014 Louisiana Culture Awards and recognize her many achievements and contributions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kris Cangelosi.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE