Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 120

BY REPRESENTATIVES SHADOIN AND JEFFERSON AND SENATORS GALLOT AND WALSWORTH

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Ruston Florist and Boutique upon being named Business of the Year by the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce.

WHEREAS, Ruston Florist and Boutique is owned and operated by Dennis and Debbie Allen and has provided high-quality service to the Ruston area for over thirty-two years; and

WHEREAS, Ruston Florist and Boutique recently relocated to a new venue that includes women's clothing and accessories, home décor, bath and body products, babies' clothing, and Michael Marcus cosmetics; and

WHEREAS, the owners and staff of Ruston Florist and Boutique have won numerous awards and accolades and have been featured in multiple magazines and periodicals including *Southern Living* and *Flowers and Florists' Review*; and

WHEREAS, Ruston Florist and Boutique holds and sponsors several community service and enhancement events throughout the year, including a blood drive that collects blood for patients in the surrounding communities; "Can Child Hunger", a canned goods food drive for the hungry; and "Make Someone Smile" week, an event in which the boutique staff delivers free flowers to the residents of nursing homes in the area; and

WHEREAS, the owners and staff of Ruston Florist and Boutique merit a sincere measure of commendation for the extraordinary service they provide to the residents of Lincoln Parish and for the beautiful flower arrangements that have enhanced the lives of the community's citizens for well over thirty years.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Dennis and Debbie Allen, owners and operators of Ruston Florist and Boutique, upon receiving the distinct honor of being named Business of the Year by the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, does hereby recognize the positive influence and contribution that Ruston Florist and Boutique continues to make on the business, industry, and economy of Lincoln Parish, does hereby extend appreciation for the tremendous pride that the owners and staff bring to all who know them, and does hereby extend to Ruston Florist and Boutique, its owners, and employees, every wish for continued success and prosperity for many years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Dennis and Debbie Allen, owners and operators of Ruston Florist and Boutique.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE