

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 135

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Epiphany Day School of New Iberia, Louisiana, upon receipt of the 2013 Louisiana Culture Award.

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2013, Louisiana Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne and the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism's office of cultural development partnered with the Louisiana Arts Council, the Louisiana Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana to present the 2013 Louisiana Culture Awards; and

WHEREAS, the focus of the Louisiana Culture Awards program is to recognize organizations and individuals making outstanding contributions to Louisiana culture; and

WHEREAS, arts integration in education is a system that infuses art, reflection, performance, and other methods of understanding into every subject of learning; and

WHEREAS, arts education yields comprehensive benefits to students; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne has recognized the need to ensure the inclusion of arts education in schools; and

WHEREAS, the Epiphany Day School has demonstrated its commitment to innovative learning and the importance of the arts in every classroom; and

WHEREAS, the Epiphany Day School's focus on arts integration in education has inspired the school's leaders to equip its teachers with the skills necessary to show students how they can apply the lessons they learn in the classroom to the real world; and

WHEREAS, the Epiphany Day School was one of seven schools to be inducted into the Louisiana A+ Schools network for the 2013-2014 school year; and

WHEREAS, being honored as a Louisiana A+ school is a notable achievement because Louisiana A+ schools are celebrated and respected for their belief in arts integration; and

WHEREAS, the Epiphany Day School and the six other Louisiana A+ schools were each presented with a Louisiana A+ banner at the 2013 Louisiana Culture Awards; and

WHEREAS, the Epiphany Day School was also recognized by Lieutenant Governor Dardenne and the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism's office of cultural development for its outstanding work in arts education in the state of Louisiana at the 2013 Louisiana Culture Awards ceremony on April 23, 2013.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Epiphany Day School of New Iberia, Louisiana, upon the recognition by Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism's office of cultural development and several other local and state organizations of its excellent work in arts education in the great state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kathleen O'Shaughnessy, Head of School of the Epiphany Day School.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE