

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49

BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT AND DOWNS AND SENATOR KOSTELKA

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Cedar Creek School upon the celebration of its fortieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, in its forty years of service to its students and community, Cedar Creek School has sought to provide a superior college preparatory educational experience to students in North Central Louisiana based on the highest standards of academic excellence and personal conduct; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School supports its mission by maintaining high expectations for student achievement and by focusing on and improving student learning through school-wide goals, a rigorous curriculum, and diversified instructional strategies; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School is engaged in the crucial and noble enterprise of transmitting society's values and accumulated wisdom to today's youth; and

WHEREAS, each Cedar Creek student is a valued individual with unique intellectual, aesthetic, social, emotional, spiritual, and physical needs; and

WHEREAS, the goal of education is the cultivation of excellence in the whole person, not merely the development of specific mental abilities, and Cedar Creek School provides a safe and comfortable physical and emotional environment that promotes student learning; and

WHEREAS, the Cedar Creek School board of directors, administrators, teachers, parents, and students share the responsibility for advancing the school's mission; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School is accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Council on Accreditation and School Improvement, and the Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School is also approved by the state Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, forty percent of the teachers at Cedar Creek School have advanced degrees, and Cedar Creek teachers have an average of more than fourteen years of experience; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School is committed to academic excellence, as ninety-two percent of all Cedar Creek students score above the national average on the Stanford 10 Achievement Test, and sixty-six percent of the school's students score in the top quartile on the Stanford 10 Achievement Test; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek school is also dedicated to its community service projects, including a faculty and staff sponsored "Coins for Cancer" project, a St. Jude's Trike-a-Thon, visits to local nursing homes at Christmas, letter writing to veterans at the Northeast Louisiana Veterans Home, a Math-a-Thon to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, a food drive to benefit the Ronald McDonald House, a quilt raffle for the March of Dimes, and a donation drop for American Somali, among other projects; and

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek School merits a special measure of commendation as a community of learners, committed to developing the critical skills and habits of mind required to be productive citizens of a democratic and ever-changing global society.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Cedar Creek School upon the memorable and historic occasion of its fortieth anniversary, does hereby recognize and record for posterity the outstanding achievements and manifold contributions of its faculty, staff, and students, and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that this wonderful school community brings to the city of Ruston and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Connie Bradford, head of school for Cedar Creek School.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE