## Regular Session, 2010

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 123

## BY REPRESENTATIVE PATRICIA SMITH

## A RESOLUTION

To commend YouthBuild Capital City participants upon their outstanding accomplishments and for making the effort to rebuild their lives and communities.

WHEREAS, YouthBuild Capital City is a federally funded program administered by the East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority that targets at-risk young adults between the ages of seventeen and twenty-four who are at an eighth grade or lower reading level and have yet to receive their high school diplomas; and

WHEREAS, the goals of YouthBuild Capital City are to provide students with educational assistance and direction in achieving a G.E.D., which is an essential step toward a meaningful, rewarding, and sustainable future, and to offer them training to obtain a career in the trade of construction; and

WHEREAS, YouthBuild Capital City begins the process of moving the students into the career of construction by utilizing the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), which is both a state and nationally recognized core curriculum and a basic Trainee Apprenticeship Preparation (TAP) that includes safety, construction math, introduction to hand and power tools, and rigging and blueprint reading; and

WHEREAS, in addition to classroom and lab training, participants also receive OSHA training and certification for construction and begin actual on-the-job training as crews working on refurbishing projects for the East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, YouthBuild Capital City works diligently with the students of the program to help them develop an understanding and mastery of day-to-day life and job skills, including social skills, effective ways to do job searching, effective completion of employment applications, interview etiquette, and fiscal responsibility; and WHEREAS, through perseverance and their involvement with YouthBuild Capital City, these young adults have formed a solid foundation which will serve them well in their future endeavors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend YouthBuild Capital City participants for their outstanding accomplishments and for making the effort to rebuild their lives and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to YouthBuild Capital City.

# SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES