

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 124

BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN AND HARRISON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Troy Landry of Pierre Part for his promotion of alligator hunting and the Cajun way of life in south Louisiana as evidenced on the popular History Channel television series "Swamp People".

WHEREAS, Troy Landry was born and raised in Pierre Part to Duffy and Myrtle Landry on June 9, 1961; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Landry is married to the former Bernita Arcemont, and they have three sons, Brandon, Jacob, and Chase; and

WHEREAS, since he was old enough to walk and talk, Troy Landry has been in business with his father, learning the hunting and fishing skills necessary to live off the land in the swamps of the Atchafalaya River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Landry has gained celebrity status in south Louisiana as one of the most charismatic stars of the History Channel's newest documentary television series "Swamp People"; and

WHEREAS, producers for the popular channel initially sought information on alligator hunting from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, and were directed to the Pierre Part native for hands-on gator-hunting experiences which evolved into a documentary series; and

WHEREAS, since premiering in August 2010, the "Swamp People" series has catapulted into the number one spot in the program line-up of the History Channel and in the meantime has made "choot-em" a household phrase; and

WHEREAS, "Swamp People" is a unique story of resilient and skillful alligator hunters who carry on many of the traditions handed down by generations of their ancestors; and

WHEREAS, the series follows Troy Landry and several of his fellow alligator hunters through America's largest swamp during the 30-day alligator hunting season; and

WHEREAS, with the help of Mr. Landry, this popular television series has become the talk of not only south Louisiana, but the nation as a whole and has focused the attention of viewers on the Cajun lifestyle known for its distinctive cuisine, music, and culture.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Troy Landry for his promotion of alligator hunting and the Cajun way of life on the History Channel's documentary television series "Swamp People", does hereby recognize and record for posterity his singular contributions to the series, and does hereby extend to him enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that he brings to his family, friends, community, and state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Troy Landry.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES