

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 157

BY REPRESENTATIVE REYNOLDS

A RESOLUTION

To commend Madeline Bethea upon being named one of Louisiana's top two youth volunteers of 2015 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Madeline Bethea, a resident of Minden, Louisiana, upon being named one of Louisiana's top two youth volunteers of 2015 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and

WHEREAS, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards is a nationwide program that honors young people for outstanding acts of volunteerism in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Bethea, a student at Webster Junior High School, achieved national recognition for her exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, over the past eight years, Madeline has delivered more than fifteen thousand stuffed animals to nursing homes, children's hospitals, and emergency first responders in seven states to comfort those who are in need of a friend; and

WHEREAS, many churches, schools, and civic organizations have contributed to Madeline's work to help decrease the loneliness and depression in nursing homes and hospitals; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend upon the dedication of young people like Madeline Bethea who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Madeline Bethea as the recipient of a 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; does hereby recognize her outstanding volunteer service, peer leadership, and community service; and does hereby extend to her best wishes for continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Madeline Bethea.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES