

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 171

BY REPRESENTATIVE NORTON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Skylar Norton for her outstanding accomplishments.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Skylar Norton for her many significant achievements; and

WHEREAS, Skylar is the daughter of Lavette Norton and shares her birthday, January fifteenth, with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Skylar is a fourth grade student at Judson Elementary Magnet School, one of the finest schools in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Skylar, a member of Discovery, is an excellent student who has maintained straight As from first grade through fourth grade, made the principal's list, was one of the top readers in the third grade, and has been named student of the month in recognition of her scholastic achievements; and

WHEREAS, Skylar is a co-host of a radio talk show on KOKA, 980 AM; had the opportunity in 2010 to meet and visit with First Lady Michelle Obama about her studies and the first lady's Let's Move campaign; showed her patriotism by helping to welcome the troops home from Afghanistan in March of 2011; and is a member of Praise Temple Full Gospel Baptist Cathedral; and

WHEREAS, when Skylar was one year old, she was crowned Little Miss Princess in the African American Parade Celebration, and she is now the chair of the celebration's coloring book contest; and

WHEREAS, Skylar is a young citizen of many gifts and talents whose hobbies and interests include reading, math, dancing, and drawing, and several of her drawings have been featured at ArtBreak, the largest annual student arts festival in the south; and

WHEREAS, the big sister of Payton and the nine-year-old granddaughter of Representative Barbara Norton, Skylar was recognized in the *Shreveport Times* as

Representative Norton's campaign manager, one of numerous occasions when Skylar has been featured in newspapers, on television programs, and in magazines in the Shreveport area; and

WHEREAS, Skylar's professional aspirations include being a legislator, an attorney, a doctor, a veterinarian, and the president of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure upon young people like Skylar Norton, who brings tremendous pride and honor to her family, friends, school, community, state, and nation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Skylar Norton for her outstanding accomplishments and does hereby extend to her best wishes for continued success and happiness in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Skylar Norton.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES