

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 102

BY SENATOR RISER

A RESOLUTION

To commend James "Buster" Couhig, student at Bains Elementary School in West Feliciana Parish, upon his winning third place in the Ninth Environmental Awareness Art and Language Arts Contest, in language arts for students ages five to seven from throughout Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission, under the direction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, has chosen the winners in its ninth annual contest for Louisiana children in grades kindergarten through high school; and

WHEREAS, the contest is designed to encourage an emphasis on and the inclusion of environmental science content in Louisiana's classrooms; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme of "Louisiana Outdoors: A Beautiful Experience" attracted over thirteen hundred entries from students throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the theme was selected in order to assist teachers in using the contest to encourage students to be aware of and to enjoy the outdoors, leading them to become better stewards of the environment in the future; and

WHEREAS, student entries include artwork, poetry, and short stories which allow the students to creatively reflect upon their love, appreciation, and knowledge of the unique natural habitats that Louisiana offers its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the winners receive monetary awards, provided through the generous sponsorship of the Alcoa Foundation, and the winning art work is placed on billboards in the students' communities and the poetry and short stories are featured in newspaper advertisements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend James "Buster" Couhig of Bains Elementary School for winning third place in the Ninth Environmental Awareness Art and Language Arts Contest, in language arts for students ages five to seven.

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**ENROLLED**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to James "Buster" Couhig, through the West Feliciana Parish School Board, Bains Elementary School.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE