

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

BY SENATOR BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Delgado Community College Dolphins baseball team on an outstanding 2016 season.

WHEREAS, the Delgado Community College Dolphins had an overall record of 37-16 during the 2016 season; and

WHEREAS, they were the 2016 Region XXIII Champions for the seventh consecutive year and it was their tenth super regional appearance in the past eleven years; and

WHEREAS, ninety-five percent of the roster hails from southeast Louisiana, representing twenty-nine local high schools and thirty-three Louisiana zip codes; and

WHEREAS, the Dolphins became the 2016 South Central District Champions with an 11-4 win over Maple Woods, and were awarded a berth at the 2016 Junior College (JUCO) World Series for the third consecutive year, having attended for the fourth time in the last ten years, and the fifth time in program history; and

WHEREAS, the team was ranked in each national poll of the season, finishing as the eighth team in the nation, and appearing in forty-one consecutive national polls over the past four seasons; and

WHEREAS, Joe Scheuermann marked his nine hundredth victory as the Dolphins' head coach with a 12-2 win over Darton State during the world series; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the athletic ability of the Delgado Dolphins, members of the 2016 team maintained a 3.0 grade point average, with nine sophomores earning their associate's degrees and twenty-eight baseball student athletes graduating over the last three years; and

WHEREAS, the team consists of forty-five young men who exemplify the true meaning of sportsmanship by performing more than three hundred hours of community service in support of the city of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting that these extraordinary young men are recognized for such an outstanding accomplishment that was earned through the finest expression of teamwork, tenacity, and dedication to the sport of baseball and to each other; and

WHEREAS, the amazing accomplishments of the team could not have been achieved without the guidance and skills of head coach, Joe Scheuermann, and assistant coach, Michael Tullier, as well as all of the other individuals who have contributed to the success of the Dolphins' baseball program; and

WHEREAS, the Delgado Dolphins student athletes, under the leadership of their coaches, performed to their highest potential throughout the regular season and the postseason, and each member of the squad deserves special recognition for his contribution to that triumphant effort and to the success of the Delgado Community College baseball program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Delgado Community College Dolphins baseball team on an outstanding 2016 season and does hereby recognize the tremendous sense of honor and pride the team has brought to the school, its alumni, the New Orleans community, and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the chancellor of Delgado Community College.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE