

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30

BY SENATOR BROOME

A RESOLUTION

To commend and recognize the first Zion City Elementary School Reunion on June 11, 2011, and its theme "Raising Zion Sixty Years Later".

WHEREAS, public education has been a great service to communities across this state, providing the children with the tools and guidance so that they may work toward a brighter and more productive future; and

WHEREAS, nowhere is that more true than with the students who were educated at Zion City Elementary School, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Zion City Elementary School served as the center of a community, providing a place of enrichment and nourishment to the children of that district; and

WHEREAS, its long and proud history began in 1948 after the approval of a bond that was supported by then Superintendent Clark Barro, which was designed to provide facilities for the rapidly growing school district, and provided adequate resources so that construction of the school began in 1949; and

WHEREAS, when the school first opened its doors the 1950-1951 school year, it had one-hundred sixty-three students, and by the last year the school was open, it had three hundred fifty registered students; and

WHEREAS, although the Zion City Elementary School was closed in order to serve shifting populations and educational needs, those who attended classes in its building remember fondly the nurturing environment, the caring teachers and administrators, and a place that served a focal point for the community; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to celebrate the memory of their fine school, the alumni are gathering this year for the first Zion City Elementary School Reunion.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and recognize the Zion City Elementary School Reunion and its theme "Raising Zion Sixty Years Later", to be held on June 11, 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Sybil Jones Banks on behalf of the organizers of the Zion City Elementary School Reunion.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE