

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30

BY SENATOR HEWITT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Chris Barron for being selected as a candidate to represent Louisiana at the HOBY World Leadership Congress to be held on July 21-28, 2018, at Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois.

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership program was established in 1958 by the popular Hollywood movie actor Hugh O'Brian after he was inspired by spending nine days in Africa with Dr. Albert Schweitzer; and

WHEREAS, following the visit with Dr. Schweitzer, Hugh O'Brian returned to Los Angeles and created an international organization designed to encourage young people to take a leadership role in society and become catalysts for change; and

WHEREAS, Chris Barron, a student at Northshore High School, son of Cylinda and Charlie Barron, attended the 2018 Louisiana Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership program hosted 140 high school sophomores who represented their respective high schools throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) World Leadership Congress is held every year and brings together over 400 young leaders from the United States, Puerto Rico, and 11 other countries for a weeklong intensive educational leadership conference; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the World Leadership Congress is to provide young HOBY leaders with an opportunity to learn firsthand about other cultures and opinions, form friendships, exchange ideas in an environment where they can feel comfortable in open discussion with their peers, and learn to voice how they have shaped and formed their own views about the role of leadership in society; and

WHEREAS, Hugh O'Brian believed the most important thing in education is to teach young people to think for themselves, and the more than 475,000 HOBY alumni demonstrate how this belief has influenced and inspired young people to become more involved in their communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Chris Barron upon his selection as a candidate to represent Louisiana at the 2018 Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress in Chicago, Illinois, and does hereby recognize the pride and honor that this wonderful young leader brings to his family, friends, school, community, and state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mr. Chris Barron and Mr. Frank Jabbia, principal of Northshore High School.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE