

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39

BY SENATOR GARY SMITH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Brandon Oubre of Norco on being awarded the Goldwater Scholarship from the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate Brandon Oubre of Norco, a junior at Louisiana State
3 University in Baton Rouge, on being named a Goldwater Scholar.

4 WHEREAS, the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program
5 was established by Congress in 1986 to honor Senator Barry M. Goldwater, who served his
6 country for fifty-six years as a soldier and statesman, including thirty years of service in the
7 United States Senate; and

8 WHEREAS, the purpose of the program is to provide a continuing source of highly
9 qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers by awarding scholarships to college
10 students who intend to pursue careers in these fields; and

11 WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and
12 Excellence in Education Foundation awarded two hundred eighty scholarships for the
13 2014-2015 academic year to undergraduate sophomores and juniors from the United States;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Goldwater Scholarships are widely considered one of the most
16 prestigious undergraduate awards available to students of the sciences; and

17 WHEREAS, recipients of the Goldwater Scholarships were selected on the basis of
18 academic merit from a field of one thousand one hundred seven mathematics, science, and

1 engineering students who were nominated by the faculties of colleges and universities
2 nationwide; and

3 WHEREAS, Brandon Oubre is one of two LSU students recognized by the
4 Goldwater Foundation and awarded the prestigious, nationally competitive Goldwater
5 Scholarship by the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, he is pursuing a double major in computer science in the College of
8 Engineering and mathematics in the College of Science, currently works in LSU's Robotics
9 Research Lab on the creation of a low-cost robot, and is also working on a collaboration
10 between Microsoft and LSU to develop a geometry tutoring web application system; and

11 WHEREAS, Brandon Oubre plans to obtain a PhD in computer science and is
12 interested in conducting research on robotics for an academic or government organization;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Brandon Oubre merits the utmost respect for the exemplary strides he
15 has taken in his pursuit of academic excellence, and for the tremendous honor and pride that
16 he brings to his family, friends, community, and the state of Louisiana.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
18 does hereby commend and congratulate Brandon Oubre of Norco on being named as a
19 Goldwater Scholar and being awarded a scholarship in the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and
20 Excellence in Education Program.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
22 Brandon Oubre.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

DIGEST

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