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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 136

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Louisiana State University at Shreveport on its selection to the Gardner Foundation's inaugural cohort

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2	To commend Louisiana State University at Shreveport on its selection to the Gardner
3	Foundation's inaugural cohort.
4	WHEREAS, Louisiana State University at Shreveport is one of only eleven colleges
5	and universities nationwide chosen to participate in an inaugural cohort of the Gardner
6	Foundation's project to transform the early college experience; and
7	WHEREAS, the eleven participating institutions enroll nearly 115,000
8	undergraduates with 43% of those students receiving a Pell Grant and 41% of students
9	identifying as African-American, Hispanic, Indigenous, or of two or more races; and
10	WHEREAS, transforming the foundational postsecondary experience is a new
11	national initiative that aims to transform the critical first two years of the college experience,
12	during which students create the foundation for ultimate success and degree completion; and
13	WHEREAS, led by the Gardner Institute, a leading national student success nonprofit
14	organization, the effort will help institutions focus on performance gaps and take action to
15	improve student learning and success; and
16	WHEREAS, LSU Shreveport will closely collaborate with cohort members over the
17	five-year period to develop innovative strategies, enhance teaching and learning practices,
18	and promote student retention and success; and
19	WHEREAS, the initiative's aim is to decrease the importance of demographics, ZIP
20	codes, and other variables as the best predictors of success; and

WHEREAS, LSU Shreveport's five-year commitment to this project demonstrates the university's dedication to transforming the postsecondary experience for all students.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the

4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana State University at Shreveport on

its selection to the Gardner Foundation's inaugural cohort and does hereby extend sincerest

wishes that the university and its students continue their incredible work and prosper in all

7 of their endeavors.

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