

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 248

BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Emerson Thom on being one of ten students selected to compete in the 25<sup>th</sup> Braille Challenge in Los Angeles

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Emerson Thom on being one of ten students selected to compete in the 25th  
3 Braille Challenge in Los Angeles.

4 WHEREAS, Emerson Thom is a seven year old who has been blind since birth; he  
5 recently completed first grade gifted at Woodvale Elementary School in Lafayette,  
6 Louisiana; and

7 WHEREAS, Emerson placed second at the Louisiana braille competition in Ruston,  
8 Louisiana; he will travel to Los Angeles this summer to compete against nine other first and  
9 second graders from the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia at the  
10 25th Braille Challenge; the competition will test a variety of skills, including reading  
11 comprehension, spelling, and proofreading; and

12 WHEREAS, Emerson is most excited about the technology display that will be  
13 available at the contest; he loves reading about space and hopes to pursue a career as a space  
14 engineer; and

15 WHEREAS, Emerson enjoys all of the same hobbies and adventures that sighted  
16 children love, including telling jokes, swimming, playing the piano, and riding his bike; and

17 WHEREAS, Emerson Thom is a truly inspiring young man with a beautiful spirit and  
18 genuine passion for life, and he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his  
19 incredible achievements.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Emerson Thom on being one of ten students

1 selected to compete in the 25th Braille Challenge in Los Angeles and does hereby extend  
2 sincerest wishes that he continue to pursue all of his passions and prosper in all of his  
3 endeavors.

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