

2025 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 63

BY SENATOR FOIL

COMMENDATIONS. Congratulates Coach Claney Duplechin on his 50th year of coaching.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To congratulate Coach Claney Duplechin on his 50th year of coaching and commend him
3 for his outstanding contributions to Louisiana high school athletics.

4 WHEREAS, Coach Claney Duplechin "Coach Dupe" has served as the head coach
5 of the Episcopal School of Baton Rouge's track and cross country teams for the last
6 forty-seven years; and

7 WHEREAS, throughout his remarkable coaching career, he has led his teams to
8 sixty-eight state championships; and

9 WHEREAS, under Coach Duplechin's leadership, the boys' cross country team
10 achieved an unprecedented twenty-five consecutive state titles, which ranks second all-time
11 nationally, while his girls' cross country teams have won six state championships since
12 Coach Dupe inherited the program in 2018; and

13 WHEREAS, Coach Dupe's philosophy has always emphasized the development of
14 character, promoting the values of teamwork, integrity, and sportsmanship, along with his
15 motto: "Go Knights, Good People, Have Fun, State Champs!"; and

16 WHEREAS, Coach Duplechin's dedication extends beyond athletics, as he instills
17 the importance of faith and personal growth, and fosters lasting bonds with his athletes,
18 showing them that success is measured not by victories, but by the positive impact they

1 make on others; and

2 WHEREAS, his coaching prowess has been recognized nationally, earning him titles
3 such as the Gill National Track Coach of the Year in 2012, the National Federation of High
4 Schools Coaches Cross Country Coach of the Year in 2013, and the National High School
5 Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year for cross country in 2018; and

6 WHEREAS, Coach Dupe's contributions to high school athletics have been further
7 acknowledged through his induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in 2022, and his
8 recognition by MaxPreps in 2020 as one of the nation's top one hundred coaches in all
9 sports; and

10 WHEREAS, Coach Duplechin has built an unparalleled coaching career; his fifty
11 years of service to Louisiana student-athletes and forty-six years of service to Episcopal
12 School of Baton Rouge is a testament to his exceptional leadership and commitment to the
13 youth of the state of Louisiana.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
15 congratulate Coach Claney Duplechin on his fifty years of coaching and extends its sincerest
16 gratitude for his invaluable contributions to Louisiana's athletic community.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
18 Coach Claney Duplechin at the Episcopal School of Baton Rouge.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services.
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or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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