

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 107

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Justin Wax for being named the 2026 Principal of the Year in Louisiana

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Justin Wax for being named the 2026 Principal of the Year in Louisiana.

3 WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Justin Wax for his dedication to the
4 students of Denham Springs Junior High School and to commend him for being named the
5 2026 Principal of the Year; and

6 WHEREAS, Principal Wax currently serves in his fourth year as principal of
7 Denham Springs Junior High School; under his leadership, the school was recognized as a
8 2024 Top Gains Honoree and featured in U.S. News and World Report's Best Middle
9 Schools in 2024 and 2025; and

10 WHEREAS, Principal Wax is a leader in student advocacy; he has taken innovative
11 steps to address teen vaping by offering educational alternatives to suspension and facilitated
12 the installation of campus vape detection technology; and

13 WHEREAS, Principal Wax spoke before the House Committee on Judiciary and
14 effectively advocated to raise the minimum age requirements for the purchase of vaping
15 products; and

16 WHEREAS, Principal Wax is dedicated to STEM education and has pioneered an
17 aquaponics lab that provides hands-on opportunities to conserve endangered plant species
18 in Louisiana and teaches sustainable produce cultivation; and

19 WHEREAS, Principal Wax is committed to addressing students' needs and has
20 partnered with community leaders to eliminate student fees and ensure access for

1 economically disadvantaged students; he also supports a rapidly growing English learner
2 population; and

3 WHEREAS, Principal Wax earned a bachelor of science degree in business
4 administration with a minor in leadership development from Louisiana State University; he
5 pursued a career in education through alternative certification and received a master of
6 education in educational leadership from Southeastern Louisiana University; and

7 WHEREAS, Principal Wax is a member of the Louisiana Association of Principals
8 and vice president of the Livingston Parish Principals Association; he served four years as
9 president of Mighty Moms, which is a nonprofit that "nurtures hungry students to success";
10 and

11 WHEREAS, outside of school, Principal Wax serves as a church deacon, and he is
12 a married father of three children; and

13 WHEREAS, Denham Springs Junior High School Principal Justin Wax is a dedicated
14 advocate of students and their education, and he is most deserving of the highest recognition
15 for his outstanding service.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Justin Wax for being named the 2026
18 Principal of the Year in Louisiana and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for his
19 contributions to students in Louisiana.

DIGEST

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