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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 227

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Young Marine Sergeant Major Valerie Huete on being named Division 4 Young Marine of the Year and recognizes her leadership, academic achievements, and service

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Young Marine Sergeant Major Valerie Huete on being named Division 4
3 Young Marine of the Year and to recognize her exemplary leadership, academic
4 achievement, and service.

5 WHEREAS, the Young Marines is a national youth leadership and service program
6 dedicated to developing disciplined, drug-free, and responsible citizens through leadership
7 training, community service, and education; and

8 WHEREAS, the organization serves approximately seven thousand youth members
9 across the United States and is divided into six geographic divisions; the divisions each
10 select a Division Young Marine of the Year based on leadership, academic performance,
11 physical fitness, and community involvement; and

12 WHEREAS, Young Marine Sergeant Major Valerie Huete is a resident of River
13 Ridge, Louisiana, and member of the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office Young Marines unit;
14 she has been selected as the Division 4 Young Marine of the Year, which is one of the
15 highest distinctions within the program; and

16 WHEREAS, this honor places her among the top six Young Marines out of
17 approximately seven thousand participants in the United States and reflects her exceptional
18 character, leadership, and commitment to service; she competed against top Young Marines
19 from across multiple states within Division 4, including Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma,
20 Arkansas, and Mississippi; and

21 WHEREAS, Valerie Huete is a student at Patrick F. Taylor Science and Technology
22 Academy in Jefferson Parish, which is a highly regarded academic institution known for its

1 rigorous curriculum and emphasis on science, technology, and leadership development; her
2 academic success, combined with her participation in extracurricular and athletic activities,
3 demonstrates a well-rounded dedication to excellence; and

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Huete has demonstrated leadership, mentored fellow
5 Young Marines, and served her community with distinction throughout her time in the
6 Young Marines program; she exemplifies the core values of honor, courage, and
7 commitment; and

8 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Huete has received steadfast support and guidance from
9 her parents, Darren and Vanessa Huete, who have been instrumental in her success; she has
10 also benefitted from the mentorship, training, and commitment of the dedicated adult
11 volunteers and leaders of the Young Marines program, including the Jefferson Parish
12 Sheriff's Office Young Marines unit and Unit Commander Tammy Williams; and

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Huete's achievements bring great pride to her family,
14 Patrick F. Taylor Science and Technology Academy, the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office
15 Young Marines unit, the citizens of Jefferson Parish, and the state of Louisiana; it is fitting
16 to recognize her efforts as her fellow citizens look forward to her continued success and
17 future contributions to her community and nation.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
19 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Young Marine Sergeant Major Valerie
20 Huete on being named Division 4 Young Marine of the Year; does hereby recognize her as
21 one of the top young leaders in the nation; and does hereby extend its sincere appreciation
22 to her parents and family for their encouragement and support and to the adult leaders and
23 volunteers of the Young Marines program for their dedication to developing future leaders.

DIGEST

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