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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for the continued operations of the Louisiana National Guard at Camp Beauregard and to commend the accomplishments of the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

WHEREAS, Camp Beauregard is located in Pineville, Louisiana, and has a long history of supporting the training and mobilization of the United States military that dates back to World War I and continues through present-day; the installation serves as the primary annual training and pre-mobilization training platform for the Louisiana National Guard; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Camp Beauregard is to support federal and state military and emergency operations; and

WHEREAS, Camp Beauregard provides quality training and training support resources and facilities for pre-mobilization and post-mobilization; the camp also serves as both a staging base and logistical staging area for various emergency response agencies during times of state and federal emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Camp Beauregard hosts one of the three Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Programs, which works to instill values, life skills, education, and self-discipline in Louisiana's youth; the program is an alternative educational program that offers youth, from ages sixteen to eighteen, the opportunity to change their future, and it is geared towards students seeking a way to succeed outside of a traditional school setting while working to obtain a high school equivalency diploma; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Program encourages teamwork, personal growth, and development through eight core components: life coping skills, academic excellence, job skills, responsible citizenship, leadership/followership, health and hygiene, service to the community, and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Challenge Program is a seventeen-month program consisting of two phases: a five-month residential phase and a twelve-month post-residential phase; during the residential phase, students live on-site at one of three locations: Camp Minden near Shreveport, Camp Beauregard Training Center, and The Gillis W. Long Center near Baton Rouge; during phase one, students attend school and receive counseling and twenty-four-hour supervision; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, students return home to begin a twelve-month post-residential phase; this phase is designed to help students continue in a positive direction, and graduates are assisted by Youth Challenge Program case managers and community mentors to continue their education, enroll in college, begin job training, find employment, or enlist in the military; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana National Guard at Camp Beauregard is most deserving of the highest recognition for its longstanding efforts to support the United States military and Louisiana's youth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express support for the continued operations of the Louisiana National Guard at Camp Beauregard in Pineville, Louisiana, and does hereby commend the accomplishments of the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE