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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 109

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Special Olympics Louisiana for providing athletic programs for children and adults.

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the Legislature of Louisiana recognizes Special Olympics Louisiana for its ongoing efforts to provide children and adults with opportunities to compete in athletic events and develop physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Louisiana provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Special Olympics Louisiana is to give individuals with intellectual disabilities continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, fellow Special Olympic athletes, and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools program is aimed at promoting social inclusion through intentionally planned and implemented activities that affect systems-wide change; the goals of the program include providing students with and without intellectual disabilities with meaningful unified sports opportunities and inclusive youth leadership opportunities and increasing awareness and education activities that promote inclusion and engage all students in creating a socially-inclusive school climate; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Louisiana seeks to challenge the mistaken belief that people with intellectual disabilities receive the same or better health care than others and advocate for improved healthcare opportunities for these individuals; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Louisiana is deserving of recognition for its continued efforts to create inclusive spaces for individuals with intellectual disabilities, promote their health and wellness through athletics, and improve their overall quality of life.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Special Olympics Louisiana for providing athletic programs for children and adults and does hereby extend sincere wishes that the organization continue to prosper in its endeavors to support individuals with intellectual disabilities.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE