

2026 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 199

BY SENATOR BARROW

COMMENDATIONS. Commends and congratulates Tami McClure, head coach of the Zachary High School girls basketball team, for earning The Advocate's "Star of Stars Girls Coach of the Year" honor.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate Tami McClure, head coach of the Zachary High School girls
3 basketball team, for leading the Lady Broncos to the 2024 Division I Non-Select
4 state championship, for earning The Advocate's "Star of Stars Girls Coach of the
5 Year" honor, and for her extraordinary contributions to high school athletics in
6 Louisiana.

7 WHEREAS, the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana takes great pride in
8 recognizing outstanding educators and coaches whose leadership, dedication, and
9 mentorship profoundly shape the lives of young people across the state; and

10 WHEREAS, Tami McClure guided the Zachary High School girls basketball team
11 through a storybook 2023-2024 season, culminating in a historic victory over Parkway High
12 School in the Division I Non-Select state championship game; and

13 WHEREAS, this championship marked Zachary High School's first girls basketball
14 state title in ninety-eight years, a milestone that reflects both the team's extraordinary
15 commitment and Coach McClure's exceptional leadership; and

16 WHEREAS, Coach McClure, who often refers to her players as "my daughters", has
17 long emphasized not only athletic excellence but also the development of strong, confident
18 young women, stating her desire for them "to be amazing women when they leave this

1 school"; and

2 WHEREAS, over more than twenty seasons as a high school coach in the Baton
3 Rouge area, Coach McClure has amassed 621 career victories, including back-to-back
4 LHSAA Class 4A state championships at St. Michael the Archangel High School in 2008
5 and 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, nearly a decade ago, Coach McClure transitioned from the parochial
7 school system to Zachary High School, drawn by the school's promise and the challenge of
8 building a championship-caliber program, urging players and parents alike to "trust the
9 process"; and

10 WHEREAS, the Lady Broncos' 2024 championship run was fueled by a renewed
11 focus following a disappointing quarterfinal loss to Mandeville the previous season, a
12 moment that Coach McClure identified as a turning point for the team's mindset and
13 determination; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach McClure and her assistant coaches demonstrated total
15 commitment to the program by participating in offseason workouts alongside their players,
16 modeling the discipline and buy-in they expected from the team; and

17 WHEREAS, colleagues and former players attest to Coach McClure's exceptional
18 ability to connect with athletes and adapt to the needs of each team, qualities shaped in part
19 by her upbringing as the daughter of former Major League Baseball pitcher and
20 minor-league coach Ken Reynolds; and

21 WHEREAS, former LHSCA director Eric Held, who coached with McClure at St.
22 Michael, has praised her early understanding of the demands of coaching and her ability to
23 relate to players, while former star player and current St. Thomas More coach, Jeanne
24 Kenney, has lauded McClure's rare talent for adjusting her approach to bring out the best in
25 every team she leads; and

26 WHEREAS, Coach McClure's leadership, mentorship, and competitive excellence
27 have earned her the distinction of being named The Advocate's "2024 Star of Stars Girls
28 Coach of the Year", a recognition befitting her remarkable achievements and lasting impact
29 on Louisiana high school athletics; and

30 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to

1 honor Coach McClure for her historic season, her championship legacy, and her unwavering
2 dedication to the young women she coaches.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
4 does hereby commend and congratulate Tami McClure for leading the Zachary High School
5 girls basketball team to the 2024 Division I Non-Select state championship and for being
6 named The Advocate's "Star of Stars Girls Coach of the Year".

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
8 Coach Tami McClure.

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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