

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 101

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Cecile Charleville Guin, Ph.D., of Baton Rouge upon her receipt of a 2013 Women of Excellence Award from the La. Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation

2 To commend Cecile Charleville Guin, Ph.D., of Baton Rouge, upon her receipt of a 2013
3 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus
4 Foundation for her achievements in the field of Education and Research.

WHEREAS, Dr. Guin began her LSU career in 1993 as a funding consultant and associate professor of research with an emphasis on correctional studies and juvenile justice issues, and she currently serves as Director of the LSU Office of Social Service Research and Development (OSSRD) and professor of research, School of Social Work in the College of Human Sciences and Education; in her capacity as director of OSSRD, Dr. Guin focuses heavily upon external fund development and actively solicits opportunities for various grants and contracts that address many of the social problems inherent to Louisiana, and she particularly develops programs and seeks funding aimed at interrupting the pathway to

1 crime, delinquency, and other forms of nonproductivity that claim so many Louisiana
2 children and youth; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Guin has become a national expert in forensic social work, cultural
4 poverty, death penalty mitigation, and truancy and is also court qualified in the areas of adult
5 criminality, development of a criminal personality, and juvenile delinquency; she has
6 published numerous articles and reports on juvenile justice issues and regularly speaks on
7 the importance of evidence-based intervention and juvenile reform; and

8 WHEREAS, during her tenure at LSU, Dr. Guin has helped to secure more than
9 seventy-five million dollars in grants and contracts from multiple funding sources, and her
10 expertise in grant writing and her ability to build partnerships with external organizations
11 have not only helped to advance LSU's research agenda, but have also provided direct
12 benefits to community partners and government agencies throughout the state; and

13 WHEREAS, over the years, Dr. Guin has been a staunch advocate for juvenile justice
14 issues and has been able to develop programs and shape public policy through her broad
15 research and strong evaluation methods; one of the signature initiatives developed under
16 Dr. Guin's leadership is the Truancy Assessment and Service Center (TASC) Program,
17 which was designed to interrupt a child's pathway to crime and dropping out of school by
18 addressing problems related to poor school attendance in children in grades K-5 and was
19 launched as a pilot program by the Louisiana Legislature in 1999, originating in two parishes
20 and expanding to as many as thirty-two parishes, serving more than four hundred fifty public
21 schools, processing over one hundred thousand student referrals, and providing intervention
22 services to more than seventy-eight thousand children and their families; and

23 WHEREAS, most recently, Dr. Guin served as the lead grant writer for the Baton
24 Rouge Area Violence Elimination (BRAVE) project and is working closely with local
25 officials and community partners on the development, implementation, and evaluation of the
26 BRAVE project which is an evidence-based group violence reduction strategy designed to
27 decrease juvenile crime by strengthening police-community relationships, school
28 engagement, and community resource connections in the 70805 Zip Code area; and

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the
2 Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence
3 across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and

4 WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics
5 of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are
6 committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

7 WHEREAS, for 2013, there are six fields or categories for the Women of Excellence
8 Awards: Business, College Woman of Excellence, Education and Research, High School
9 Woman of Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Military; and

10 WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2013 Women of Excellence Awards are being
11 recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of
12 Excellence Awards Gala on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, at the historic Hilton Capitol House
13 Hotel in Baton Rouge; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Cecile Charleville Guin of Baton Rouge has been named a recipient
15 of a 2013 Women of Excellence Award in the field of Education and Research for her
16 accomplishments which demonstrate that she has truly excelled in both education and
17 research and that her work has resulted in the betterment of individual lives and whole
18 communities and has been of significance in the development of important and effective
19 initiatives and innovations; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Guin merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for
21 her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and it is entirely
22 appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Dr. Cecile Charleville Guin upon
23 her receipt of a 2013 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's
24 Caucus Foundation which recognizes her vital contributions to the citizens of Louisiana.

25 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
26 commend Dr. Cecile Charleville Guin upon her receipt of a 2013 Women of Excellence
27 Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation for her achievements
28 in the field of Education and Research, does hereby recognize and record for posterity her
29 singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana, and does hereby extend enduring

1 appreciation for the tremendous honor and pride that she brings to her community and the
2 state of Louisiana.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
4 to Dr. Cecile Charleville Guin.

DIGEST

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