

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 83

BY SENATORS WALSWORTH, GALLOT AND KOSTELKA

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Union Parish High School football team on winning the Class 3A state championship.

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Union Parish High School football team on winning the Class 3A state championship.

WHEREAS, the Union Parish High School Farmers had a remarkable football team during the 2013 season with a 13-1 record on the way to winning a nail-biting championship game in the Mercedes Benz Superdome; and

WHEREAS, the Union Parish Farmers and the Livonia Wildcats played with great passion during the title game, exchanging the lead half-a-dozen times before entering the first overtime period in a 20-20 tie score; and

WHEREAS, both teams refused to give up after regulation play and each scored touchdowns in the first overtime period, forcing a second overtime period where the Union Parish Farmers would score to win the game; and

WHEREAS, the Class 3A Championship was the first for Union Parish at that level of play since the 2002 season when the Farmers captured the Class 2A title; and

WHEREAS, Union Parish also made high school football history when they played a senior defensive back named Jacy Barron, the first time a girl has ever played in a state football championship game at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome; and

WHEREAS, it was no small coincidence that the total number of points scored by

1 Union Parish in the championship was 33, the same number that fallen teammate  
2 Jaleel Gipson had worn before he tragically passed away and the same number that Union  
3 Parish Football Coach Joe Spatafora had predicted as a final score before the game was  
4 played.

5 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
6 does hereby extend its highest commendations and congratulations to the Union Parish High  
7 School football team for winning the 2013 Class 3A Football Championship.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union Parish High School football team be  
9 recognized as only the second team in the history of the Louisiana High School Athletic  
10 Association football championship game to ever compete in a double overtime game and be  
11 victorious.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
13 Union Parish High School.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Heyward Jeffers.

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DIGEST

Walsworth

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