

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 21

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A RESOLUTION

To commend the firm of Brown Builders, Inc. of Bossier City, Louisiana, upon receipt of the dual titles of 2014 Builder of the Year and the 2014 North American Volume Builder of the Year awarded by Butler Manufacturing.

WHEREAS, since its beginning, Brown Builders, one of the largest general contractors in the state of Louisiana, has specialized in design-build construction of all manner of industrial, community, and commercial facilities; throughout the Southeastern United States, from Virginia to Texas, Brown Builders has erected churches, schools, hospitals, and governmental buildings of every size and shape; and

WHEREAS, Brown Builders was established in 1971, when Wayne Brown joined his father, James M. Brown; a homebuilder, and his brother, Doug Brown, to create a construction dynasty based on the principles of steadfast determination, hard work, and close attention to detail along with a little bit of luck; together they forged Brown Builders, Inc. into a highly lucrative enterprise; and

WHEREAS, Brown Builders, Inc. has extensive trade experience, excellent financial reserves, bonding capacity, superior safety statistics, a proven success rate, and a listing of highly qualified subcontractors; all factors which contribute to its sterling reputation as a premier single-source building contractor; and

WHEREAS, the management team of Brown Builders integrates all phases of construction with such efficiency as to deliver projects on time, within budget, and of superior quality; this work ethic is the epicenter of the company's prestige; and

WHEREAS, 2014 was a banner year for Brown Builders with sales of more than one million square feet of Butler Manufacturing pre-engineered buildings, more than any other company in North America; and

WHEREAS, an immense undertaking was the completion of the Benteler Steel Tube installation, part of a multi-model transportation and industrial complex, located in the Port of Caddo-Bossier on the Red River; and

WHEREAS, dual recognition from Butler Manufacturing is quite exceptional in that the product volume award is usually presented to much larger national firms and to receive both the highest product volume and builder of the year honors has never been achieved by a single company within a twelve-month time period; and

WHEREAS, since 2012, the legacy of Brown Builders, Inc. lies in the capable hands of its president, Kristen Brown, at the helm of this synergetic, family-owned business; and

WHEREAS, as part of Brown Builders third generation, Kristen Brown grew up in the business and appreciates the complex operations and relationships afforded this service industry; Brown Builders, a Louisiana company, proudly provides unique building solutions through its network of construction professionals and offers the best in custom design-build practices; and

WHEREAS, after forty-five years, Brown Builders, Inc. continues as a trailblazer in the construction trades; with new applications of technology and efficiency, it sets a high benchmark for others to follow.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Brown Builders, Inc. upon receipt of dual titles as 2014 Builder of the Year and the 2014 North American Volume Builder of the Year awarded by Butler Manufacturing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Brown Builders, Inc. is hereby commended for the positive economic impact it has in the state of Louisiana and its unprecedented success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kristen Brown, president of Brown Builders, Inc.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE