

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72

BY SENATORS BARROW, COLOMB, HEWITT, MIZELL AND PETERSON AND REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE, CARPENTER, DAVIS, EMERSON, HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HORTON, JACKSON, NANCY LANDRY, MARCELLE, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES, THOMAS AND WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Margaret Elizabeth Britton upon her receipt of a 2018 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of High School Women of Excellence and upon being a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

WHEREAS, Margaret "Maggie" Britton is the daughter of Eugene and Janet Britton, has two sisters, Ana and Emma, and is currently a senior at East Ascension High School in Gonzales, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, she will graduate as valedictorian of her class with a 4.84 grade point average and plans to attend Mississippi State University in the fall where she will major in chemical engineering with a minor in global engineering leadership; and

WHEREAS, her career goals include working for a chemical company, thereby being given an opportunity to travel the world; and

WHEREAS, Maggie's high school experience has given her the opportunity to be involved in many different clubs and organizations, including president of the Beta Club, president of the Spanish Club, president of the Math Club, secretary/treasurer for Future Business Leaders of America, National Honors Society, soccer, and tennis; and

WHEREAS, she has played soccer since the age of four, plays the position of goalkeeper, and has been awarded All District honors and First Team All-Metro for soccer three years in a row; and

WHEREAS, Maggie holds the position of first-court singles on the tennis team, placed second at the Louisiana State Beta Convention in Science Division II which qualified her to compete at the National Convention, and scored in the Top Ten at Nationals; and

WHEREAS, she is also a thirteen-year Girl Scout and a recent recipient of the Gold Award, the most prestigious award in the world for girls; and

WHEREAS, the requirements to earn the Gold Award include identifying an issue in one's own community, developing a plan to tackle the issue, and taking action on such plan in a meaningful, long-lasting manner; and

WHEREAS, Maggie's Gold Award project was titled "Going for the Goal", which highlighted the continued relief effort from the flood of 2016, and resulted in the donation of five basketball goals, five basketballs, and a "Buddy Bench", which she built herself, to a local primary school which suffered the loss of such equipment during the flooding event; and

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

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

WHEREAS, for 2018, there are two categories for the Women of Excellence Awards: College Women of Excellence and High School Women of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2018 Women of Excellence Awards are being recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of Excellence Awards & Scholarships Ceremony and Reception on Tuesday, April 24, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Maggie has been named a recipient of a 2018 Women of Excellence Award in the category of High School Women of Excellence and is also a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship for her accomplishments and personification of excellence in integrity, character, academics, leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, Maggie merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and it is appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Maggie upon receipt of a 2018 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation and of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Margaret "Maggie" Elizabeth Britton upon receipt of a 2018 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of High School Women of Excellence and the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that she brings to her community and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Margaret "Maggie" Elizabeth Britton.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES