2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 83

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Kimberly Eckert on being selected as the 2018 Louisiana Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the citizens of Louisiana commend and congratulate Kimberly Eckert upon her receipt of the highly prestigious 2018 Louisiana Teacher of the Year Award from the Louisiana Department of Education and recognize her commitment to educating the youth of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eckert graduated from Northwestern State University in Natchitoches with a degree in social work; she later earned a master's degree in special education and a teaching certification in special education and English; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Eckert is currently a ninth grade English teacher at Brusly High School in Brusly, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, since finding her calling while working with intellectually disabled children, Ms. Eckert has been teaching for nine years, and in that time, she has served as a special education inclusion teacher, a reading interventionist, a speech teacher, a mentor teacher, a master teacher, and an instructional coach; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eckert is not new to high honors and accolades; she has been recognized as Louisiana Association of Computer Educators Regional Teacher of the Year twice, was middle school Teacher of the Year for her district in 2012-2013, and has received a Kagan Scholarship and a Discovery Star Educator award; Ms. Eckert has also secured several grants to further educational initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eckert's friends and colleagues say that passion is what sets her apart; she has a pure motivation to help the kids she teaches; and

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WHEREAS, the Louisiana House of Representatives celebrates and applauds Kimberly Eckert for this accomplishment which recognizes her drive to continuously motivate and challenge her students and engage them in thought-provoking discussions designed to inspire and cultivate a love of learning.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Kimberly Eckert for her service and dedication to the students at Brusly High School and congratulate her upon her selection as the 2018 Louisiana Teacher of the Year; does hereby recognize the tremendous pride that this award bestows on Brusly High School and the West Baton Rouge public school system; and does hereby thank Ms. Eckert for her commitment of energy and talent to Louisiana's children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kimberly Eckert.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES