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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4

BY REPRESENTATIVES JAY MORRIS AND CREWS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Mason Andrews on setting the record for the youngest pilot to solo circumnavigate the globe

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Mason Andrews on setting a new Guinness World Record for the youngest
3 pilot ever to fly solo around the world.

4 WHEREAS, on the salutary and memorable occasion of the world-record breaking
5 solo flight around the world, it is appropriate that Mason Andrews be commended and
6 celebrated, not only for his extraordinary trip, but for using it as an opportunity to raise funds
7 and awareness for MedCamps of Louisiana, where he serves as a counselor; and

8 WHEREAS, with the support of his loving parents, Jeb and Nancy, Mason planned
9 the worldwide trip, set up an online fundraising page for trip expenses, and pledged anything
10 raised beyond his expenses to MedCamps of Louisiana; Mason raised an impressive \$30,000
11 for the organization that offers summer camps, in the town of Choudrant, for children with
12 developmental and physical disabilities completely free of charge; its mission is to "improve
13 the health and wellness of people living with chronic illnesses and disabilities through
14 unique recreational and educational camping experiences"; and

15 WHEREAS, the first time Mason ever flew an aircraft was on a trip to Europe in
16 2013; the following summer, Mason obtained his paraglider's license; soon thereafter, he
17 took flying lessons and entered the professional aviation program at Louisiana Tech
18 University in Ruston; and

19 WHEREAS, at the age of eighteen, Mason departed in his Piper PA-32 Lance, named
20 "The Spirit of Louisiane", a nod to Charles Lindbergh's "The Spirit of St. Louis"; Mason left
21 from the Monroe Regional Airport on July 22, 2018, and his trip took seventy-six days; and

1 WHEREAS, circumnavigating the entire planet, he stopped in several countries,
2 including Canada, Portugal, France, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Pakistan, India, Thailand, the
3 Phillippines, Japan, and Russia; and

4 WHEREAS, upon his return, the Louisiana Tech Foundation awarded him a
5 scholarship; Mason is currently writing a book about his travels and plans to pursue a career
6 in flying; and

7 WHEREAS, Mason's accomplishments have brought great pride and joy to his
8 family and friends, the Louisiana Tech community, and the state of Louisiana.

9 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
10 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Mason Andrews on setting a new Guinness
11 World Record for the youngest pilot ever to fly around the world solo; does hereby express
12 sincere gratitude to Mason for his kindness and integrity which are so evident in his heartfelt
13 efforts on behalf of his fellow citizens; and does hereby wish him full measures of happiness
14 and success in all of his future flying endeavors.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
16 to Mason Andrews.

DIGEST

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