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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 170

BY SENATOR REESE

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Cal-Cam Fair on the celebration of its one hundredth anniversary.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend the Cal-Cam Fair on the celebration of its one hundredth anniversary.
3	WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that the members of the Senate of the
4	Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the Cal-Cam Fair's one hundredth anniversary; and
5	WHEREAS, the Cal-Cam Fair was founded in 1922 in Lake Charles, Louisiana; and
6	WHEREAS, Dr. Alvan LaFargue formed the original Cal-Cam Fair Board in 1924
7	and served as board president for many years, with his wife, Florestine Richard LaFargue,
8	serving as the board secretary; and
9	WHEREAS, the fair has been held in several historic locations in the past century
10	including its site of origin in Lake Charles and in locations throughout the city of Sulphur;
11	and
12	WHEREAS, the fair spent more than sixty years at its location on Highway 27 and
13	moved to its final home at the West-Cal Arena in 2014 on the Cal-Cam Fair's ninetieth
14	anniversary; and
15	WHEREAS, the original bi-parish fair was designed for farmers with booths
16	displaying crops, livestock, various farming implement exhibits, and local products such as
17	jams, jellies, and clothing; and
18	WHEREAS, today, the Cal-Cam Fair is one the few fairs that invites the public to

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1	exhibit anything that can be canned, cooked, sewn, or created; and
2	WHEREAS, prizes are awarded in categories such as ceramics, photography, sewing,
3	canning, cooking, crafts, floral arranging, and agricultural products; and
4	WHEREAS, students in the bi-parish area compete in poster and essay contests for
5	cash prizes with winners advancing to the state competition held at the Louisiana
6	Association of Fairs and Festivals (LAFF); and
7	WHEREAS, the fair also offers scholarship opportunities through the livestock
8	competitions in four divisions: swine, sheep, goat, and cattle; and
9	WHEREAS, the Miss Cal-Cam Queen also receives a scholarship at the end of her
10	reign and is awarded a trip to the Queen of Queens pageant held at LAFF each year; and
11	WHEREAS, the fair is a cherished and time-honored tradition and its organizers are
12	most deserving of the highest recognition for their achievements; and
13	WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the service of the Cal-Cam Fair Board
14	including long-term board members Margarite Johnson, Wilridge Doucet, Lillian Karr, and
15	Bubba Domingue as well as long-term Cal-Cam Fair Board secretary Jan Nelson; and
16	WHEREAS, the Cal-Cam Fair is an integral part of the culture and history of
17	Calcasieu and Cameron parishes and the entire state of Louisiana.
18	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
19	does hereby commend the Cal-Cam Fair on the celebration of its one hundredth anniversary
20	and does hereby extend sincere wishes that the Cal-Cam Fair continue its annual festivities
21	for generations to come.
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
23	president of the Cal-Cam Fair Board.

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

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