2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 285

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Delgado Community College baseball team for an outstanding 2023 season.

WHEREAS, the 2023 Delgado Community College Dolphins baseball team reached the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division I World Series for the sixth time in the program's history by defeating Baton Rouge Community College, 4-3, in the NJCAA Region XXII Division I title game; and

WHEREAS, the Dolphins finished the four-round World Series play with a record of two wins and two losses and ended the season as the sixth-ranked team in the nation; the team's final record was an impressive forty-seven wins and thirteen losses; and

WHEREAS, Delgado swept the South Central District Championship with two impressive wins over Seminole State and another over Crowder College; the Dolphins captured the championship victory with a thrilling walk-off double by Josh Alexander; and

WHEREAS, Delgado finished the 2023 season with thirty-four wins and two losses against Division I opponents despite playing several nationally-ranked teams including Chattahoochee Valley, Chipola, San Jacinto, Pensacola State, Meridian, and Louisiana State University at Eunice; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the players' incredible athletic achievements, twenty-one members of the team received Delgado degrees at the May 16, 2023, graduation; more impressively, one hundred thirteen student-athletes have earned Delgado degrees since 2014; and

WHEREAS, Delgado Athletic Director/Head Coach Joe Scheuermann is in his thirty-third season at the helm of the Dolphins baseball team; he succeeded his father and program founder "Rags" Scheuermann following his retirement in 1990 and claimed his eleven hundredth win with the team's 8-1 victory over Bryant & Stratton on February 25, 2023; he is a 2019 NCJAA Coaches Association Hall of Fame inductee; and

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WHEREAS, the entire Delgado Community College baseball program is most deserving of the highest recognition for its incredible achievements this year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Delgado Community College baseball team for an outstanding 2023 season and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the players, coaches, and training staff continue their excellent work and always strive for greatness.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES