

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

BY SENATOR WOMACK

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University of Alexandria on its contributions to central Louisiana and the state.

WHEREAS, Louisiana State University of Alexandria (LSUA) is an integral part of the LSU System, providing high-quality, accessible, and affordable education to students across central Louisiana and beyond; and

WHEREAS, LSUA set an ambitious enrollment goal of five thousand students by the year 2025 and has now exceeded seven thousand one hundred students, making it the fastest-growing university in the state; and

WHEREAS, LSUA has achieved record enrollment in recent years and expanded its academic offerings to include over seventy-five degree programs spanning healthcare, business, education, aviation and the sciences; and

WHEREAS, LSUA now boasts the fifth largest undergraduate enrollment among all universities in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, LSUA has been recognized by Niche as the fourth best university in the state; and

WHEREAS, LSUA plays a critical role in workforce development, with specialized programs in nursing, allied health, teacher education, and business that align directly with the needs of the region's employers and industries; and

WHEREAS, LSUA's nursing program is among the top in the state, producing graduates who consistently achieve high licensure pass rates and fill essential healthcare roles throughout rural and underserved areas; and

WHEREAS, LSUA also contributes to the cultural and civic vitality of the region through service-learning, volunteerism, and public programs that engage residents in lifelong learning, health, and wellness; and

WHEREAS, LSUA's athletic achievements have brought pride to the university, as exemplified by LSUA basketball player, Kashie Natt, being named National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Player of the Year, and a record-setting conference high average athlete GPA of 3.3; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Louisiana benefit greatly from the state's investment in LSUA, which yields substantial returns in educational attainment, workforce preparedness, and community enrichment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana State University of Alexandria on its contributions, and extends sincerest wishes that the university and its students continue to prosper in all of their endeavors.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE