

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCFARLAND, DEWITT, AND FIRMENT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Katrice LaCour for his contributions in the Natchitoches Parish showcase on the occasion of Natchitoches Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, Katrice LaCour was born to Rainey and Nazy LaCour on March 13, 1966, in Chicago, Illinois; he attended Grambling State University and graduated in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in music education; his major instrument is the double bass and his minor is the trumpet; and

WHEREAS, while in college, Mr. LaCour was an active member of the Grambling State University Tiger Marching Band, Grambling Orchestra, Ruston Civic Symphony, Grambling Jazz Ensemble, and Kappa Kappa Psi honorary band fraternity; as a member of the Tiger Marching Band, he performed across the United States and Japan; and

WHEREAS, after completing his music education, Mr. LaCour served as the orchestra and band director at Lakeview Junior and Senior High School in Campti, Louisiana, during the 1991/1992 school year; throughout his teaching career, he has served as a guest conductor, adjudicator, and clinician in numerous honor orchestras and festivals, and his ensembles have participated in numerous Louisiana Music Educators Association (LMEA) and national festivals since 1991; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaCour currently serves as the orchestra director for the Northwestern State University Elementary and Middle Laboratory Schools in Natchitoches, Louisiana; in 2017, his middle school orchestra won gold in the high school division at Festival Disney; in 2019, the orchestra performed at Carnegie Hall and for Governor John Bel Edwards; during the 2022-2023 school year, the orchestra returned to Disney and won Best in Class and first place overall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaCour has served as the orchestra division chairman for the LMEA since 2014; in this role, he successfully organized twelve all-state orchestras consisting of the top high school musicians in the state, and in 2025, he organized the first Louisiana Middle School All State Orchestra in New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaCour has an extensive performing career in addition to his career as a music educator; he and his brother, Rainey LaCour, performed in the United States and abroad as a signed act for Entertainment America; for seven years, he entertained troops by performing United Service Organizations and U.S. Army Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Tours in the United States and South Korea; he is a member of the LaCour Trio, which was formed in 2010 and performs "Cane River Creole Zydeco" music across central and northern Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaCour was inducted into the Folk Music Hall of Fame by Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser in October 2020 and the Louisiana Music Educators Hall of Fame in Baton Rouge on November 18, 2023, during the LMEA's annual music conference; he was selected to ride along with other accomplished musicians during the 2024 Rose Bowl Parade; and

WHEREAS, Katrice LaCour is a pillar of Louisiana's cultural music scene, and he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his dedication to educating the next generation of Louisiana musicians.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Katrice LaCour for his contributions in the Natchitoches Parish showcase on the occasion of Natchitoches Day at the state capitol and does hereby extend sincere wishes that he remains prosperous in all of his endeavors.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE