

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 379

BY REPRESENTATIVES PHELPS AND TURNER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Louisiana Department of Education 2026 High School Student of the Year Melissa An Le

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Louisiana Department of Education 2026 High School Student of the Year  
3 Melissa An Le.

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) honored twenty-four  
5 regional finalists and named three Louisiana Students of the Year during a ceremony at The  
6 Cook Hotel and Conference Center in Baton Rouge; and

7 WHEREAS, each year, the LDOE and the Louisiana Board of Elementary and  
8 Secondary Education (BESE) recognize students who exemplify academic excellence,  
9 leadership, and service; finalists include one fifth, eighth, and twelfth grader from each of  
10 the state's eight BESE regions; and

11 WHEREAS, the 2026 overall honorees are Sanil Savita Thorat, Kaejha Mary-Anne  
12 Christine Stewart, and Melissa An Le; and

13 WHEREAS, Melissa An Le is the Louisiana High School Student of the Year; she  
14 attends Ruston High School in Lincoln Parish and was previously named Louisiana Middle  
15 School Student of the Year; she is an AP Scholar with Distinction and a National Merit  
16 Commended Scholar; she served as student body president, was elected state secretary of  
17 Future Business Leaders of America, and earned all-state recognition in speech and debate;  
18 she advocates for expanded access to science, technology, engineering, and math education  
19 through speaking engagements and national initiatives and has reached thousands through  
20 her "STEM to Bloom" video series; she also serves on the National Girls Collaborative  
21 Project board; and

1           WHEREAS, Melissa An Le is most deserving of recognition for bringing great pride  
2 to Lincoln Parish and the state of Louisiana through her outstanding achievements.

3           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana Department of Education 2026  
5 High School Student of the Year Melissa An Le; does hereby recognize her for building a  
6 strong foundation for the future success of the state; and does hereby encourage her to  
7 continue her excellent work and always strive for greatness.

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DIGEST

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