

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 377

BY REPRESENTATIVES PHELPS AND TURNER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana Department of Education 2026 Elementary Student of the Year
Sanil Savita Thorat.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Sanil Savita Thorat is the Louisiana Elementary School Student of the Year; he attends Fairfield Magnet School in Caddo Parish and is an accomplished speller who earned a place at the Scripps National Spelling Bee and received top honors at the regional level; he also completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge, has earned recognition in music competitions, competes as a runner, and performs piano in recitals at nursing homes, churches, and other venues; he aspires to become a doctor and volunteers with organizations focused on community wellness; and

WHEREAS, Sanil Savita Thorat is most deserving of recognition for bringing great pride to Caddo Parish and the state of Louisiana through his outstanding achievements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana Department of Education 2026 Elementary Student of the Year Sanil Savita Thorat; does hereby recognize him for building a strong foundation for the future success of the state; and does hereby encourage him to continue his excellent work and always strive for greatness.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES