

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 176

BY SENATOR CORTEZ

A RESOLUTION

To commend George Harris for his outstanding football coaching career and dedication to Lafayette's youth.

WHEREAS, George Harris has dedicated over three decades to the youth of Lafayette through his leadership and coaching; and

WHEREAS, Coach Harris, in his twenty-one years with South Lafayette Youth Sports, Inc. (SLYSI), compiled a record of 139 wins, 16 losses; five losses less than years he coached; and

WHEREAS, in defeating teams from Baton Rouge, Jennings, Kaplan, and Beaumont, Texas, a George Harris coached team never lost to an opponent outside of the SLYSI league; and

WHEREAS, having his teams participate in fifteen Turkey Bowl championship games, Coach Harris led his teams to thirteen championships; and

WHEREAS, from 1972 to 1975, Harris coached teams of the Optimist Club, the predecessor to SLYSI, with a winning record of 19 wins, 6 losses, and 3 ties; and

WHEREAS, from 1986 to 1989, Harris coached the Fatima Warriors Middle School with an overall record of 17 and 3, and completed undefeated seasons in three of the four years; and

WHEREAS, from 1998 to 2001, Harris coached the St. Thomas More High School freshmen team with a record of 25 victories to 6 defeats, and went undefeated in 2001; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, Harris has coached, under the direction of Head Coach Ted Davidson, the offensive linemen of the Acadiana Wreckin' Rams with a great deal of success as shown in the fact that a multitude of his linemen have been named as all-state players; and

WHEREAS, in his thirty-one seasons as head coach, Coach Harris led his many teams to an overall victorious record of 209 wins, 32 losses, and 4 ties, a career 86.7% winning percentage.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Coach George Harris for his outstanding football coaching career and dedication to Lafayette's youth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to George Harris.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE