

2017 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 112

BY SENATOR CARTER

COMMENDATIONS. Commends L.B. Landry-O.P. Walker College & Career Preparatory High School on its numerous achievements and recognizes the Charging Buccaneers football and boys basketball teams on winning the Class 5A state championships.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize L. B. Landry-O.P. Walker College & Career Preparatory High School for its
3 numerous achievements and to commend the Charging Buccaneers football team and
4 boys basketball team on capturing Class 5A state championships.

5 WHEREAS, L.B. Landry O.P.-Walker College & Career Preparatory High School
6 opened its doors in August 2013, unifying two of New Orleans' most storied and thriving
7 high schools: L.B. Landry and O. Perry Walker, and operates out of the L.B. Landry
8 Educational Complex located on the Westbank of Orleans Parish, in the Algiers community;
9 the complex being originally built in 1938 in honor of Dr. Lord Beaconsfield Landry, a
10 prominent African-American physician, activist, and accomplished vocalist who practiced
11 medicine in Algiers during the early 1800s, and provided much-needed care to the Black
12 citizenry of his community; and

13 WHEREAS, the school has as its mission that in order to provide students with the
14 skills and values necessary for success in the 21st century, the school will provide age
15 appropriate opportunities for students to expand their conceptual understanding, acquire
16 critical thinking and problem solving skills, and develop positive habits of mind towards
17 academics, service and comprehensive health which mission is carried out under the
18 leadership of L.B. Landry High School alum principal Tyrone Casby, who provides

1 unwavering support to the Charging Buccaneer students, staff, parents, leadership, and
2 school community to ensure that the school maintains its place as a beacon for preparing
3 students for the future; and

4 WHEREAS, the Charging Bucs football team, which posted a 13-2 record, was led
5 by head coach Emanuel Powell, and assistant coach Tarence Davis, and quarterback Keytaon
6 Thompson who was outstanding in the state title game with West Monroe (12-2-1) in which
7 Landry-Walker won by a score of 50-21 in the Mercedes-Benz Superdome where Thompson
8 finished with 154 yards rushing and a touchdown to go along with 303 yards and five
9 touchdowns through the air, garnering the school's first championship in football; and

10 WHEREAS, while playing only four home games all season, the boys basketball
11 team ended the regular season with nine straight wins and despite being seeded 22nd,
12 Landry-Walker won all but two playoff games in double digits and captured the 2017 Class
13 5A championship over number nine Bonnebel by a score of 59-48 at Burton Coliseum in
14 Lake Charles, posting a 22-12 record, breaking the record for the lowest seed ever to win a
15 Louisiana state basketball championship, the third championship in the last four years for
16 the Charging Bucs basketball team under the leadership of coach Brian Gibson who was
17 named the New Orleans Times-Picayune All Metro Coach of the Year and the Louisiana
18 state 5A Coach of the Year, and sophomore Dy'Wan Griffin was named the Most
19 Outstanding Player scoring twenty-four points in the title contest.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
21 does hereby recognize L.B. Landry-O.P. Walker College & Career Preparatory High School
22 for its numerous achievements and does commend the Charging Buccaneers football team
23 and boys basketball team on capturing Class 5A state championships.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
25 Mr. Tyrone Casby, principal of Landry-Walker High School.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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