2018 Second Extraordinary Session HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 39 BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate John Stephens, Jr., of Logansport High School for being named the 2018 Male Athlete of the Year by the *Shreveport Times*.

WHEREAS, John Stephens, Jr., is a standout defensive end and wide receiver of the Logansport Tigers football team, a stellar big man on the basketball court, and a two-time state champion high jumper; his father was the late John Stephens, 1998 NFL Rookie of the Year as a running back for the New England Patriots; and

WHEREAS, John Stephens, Jr., is rated a three-star receiver and, in 2017, he was rated number sixty-seven nationally in the athlete category, according to *247Sports* composite rankings; and

WHEREAS, Stephens led the Logansport team to the Louisiana Class 1A state football title in 2016 and is a first-team Louisiana Sports Writers Association All-State football selection; and

WHEREAS, Stephens, a 6'4", 210-pound junior, was Texas Christian University's first wide receiver commitment of the football recruiting class of 2018; and

WHEREAS, John Stephens, Jr., has displayed superior qualities in athletics as demonstrated by his performances on the ballfield, basketball court, and in track and field, and is truly deserving of the *Shreveport Times* 2018 Male Athlete of the Year Award.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate John Stephens, Jr., of Logansport High School for being named the 2018 Male Athlete of the Year by the *Shreveport Times* and does hereby extend to him best wishes for full measures of continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to John Stephens, Jr.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES