

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38

BY REPRESENTATIVE PRESSLY

A RESOLUTION

To commend First Baptist Church School in Shreveport on its fiftieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, First Baptist Church School, or FBCS, was founded in 1970 as a mission of First Baptist Church of Shreveport; today, the school has classes for students through 8th grade and serves four hundred twenty students; and

WHEREAS, FBCS's vision is "to produce a generation of confident and self-directed, lifelong learners with the strong academic discipline, technological skills, and personal faith necessary to realize their potential in God's world"; and

WHEREAS, the school provides students with a level of academic instruction that prepares them for the next phase of their education and their lives; in addition to core-subject curriculum, students enjoy enrichment classes such as daily Bible study and weekly chapel; and

WHEREAS, one of the founding members of FBCS, John Gholson, is still a member of the school's faculty; and

WHEREAS, FBCS provides students with a wide range of academic challenges throughout the year such as the Loyola Academic Rally, the Duke TIP Program, and the LSU-Shreveport/Scripps Spelling Bee; and

WHEREAS, FBCS has a well-developed leadership platform that provides students with an opportunity to grow and enhance their leadership skills; students are welcome to participate in extracurricular leadership clubs such as student council, the National Junior Honor Society, the Patriot Promise Service Club, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, students are very involved in the school's athletics program, and most students participate in one or more sports during the school year; FBCS has basketball, tennis, golf, cross country, and cheerleading teams; and

WHEREAS, FBCS provides students with the opportunity to enhance their musical, acting, and singing skills through a variety of programs; each year, the school presents a Disney musical starring fourth and fifth graders complete with costumes, orchestra, and sets rented directly from Disney; additionally, the school puts on programs such as Patriot Day, the Christmas program, and many more; and

WHEREAS, FBCS is a pillar in the Shreveport community and deserves the highest recognition for its commitment to providing students with the tools to succeed as they venture into high school.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend First Baptist Church School in Shreveport on its fiftieth anniversary; does hereby express genuine gratitude for its commitment to ensuring the success of its students; and does hereby extend sincere hopes and wishes that the school continue to prosper for many years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the headmaster of First Baptist Church School in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES