2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 49

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHEXNAYDER AND BOURRIAQUE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Kim Mulkey, Louisiana State University women's head basketball coach, on being named Associated Press 2022 Coach of the Year.

WHEREAS, Kim Mulkey has been named Associated Press Coach of the Year for the third time in her astonishingly successful career; and

WHEREAS, Coach Mulkey left a Baylor program that she built into a perennial powerhouse in women's college basketball to take over a serious rebuilding project in the Louisiana State University women's basketball program; she orchestrated an awe-inspiring turnaround for LSU, who won twenty-six games this season as they bounced back in a big way following a disastrous eleven-win campaign last year; and

WHEREAS, with this award, Coach Mulkey joins the University of Connecticut's Geno Auriemma and former Notre Dame women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw as the only coaches to win the award on three occasions; and

WHEREAS, the LSU women's basketball team rose as high as sixth in the national rankings under Coach Mulkey's leadership this season; the team hosted its first two rounds of the NCAA Women's Tournament and finished the season with more than twenty-five wins for the first time since the 2007-2008 season; and

WHEREAS, Coach Mulkey is no stranger to rebuilding women's college basketball programs; her first season as head coach of the Baylor women's basketball program came on the heels of a seven-win season; she is also familiar with success in Louisiana, as she won national titles with Louisiana Tech as both a player and a coach before her twenty-one-year run at Baylor; and

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WHEREAS, Kim Mulkey is an incredibly talented coach with the awards to back her reputation; she is most deserving of the highest recognition for being named Associated Press 2022 Coach of the Year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Kim Mulkey, Louisiana State University women's head basketball coach, on being named Associated Press 2022 Coach of the Year and does hereby express tremendous pride in being able to call Coach Kim Mulkey one of Louisiana's own.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kim Mulkey.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES