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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER AND SENATORS CLOUD AND HENSGENS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Louisiana State University at Eunice Professor Emeritus Dr. Malcolm Vidrine for being recognized as the 2022 recipient of the James William Rivers Prize in Louisiana Studies

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Louisiana State University at Eunice Professor Emeritus Dr. Malcolm Vidrine
3	for being recognized as the 2022 recipient of the James William Rivers Prize in
4	Louisiana Studies.
5	WHEREAS, the James William Rivers Prize in Louisiana Studies is presented by the
6	Center for Louisiana Studies at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and is one of the
7	most prestigious awards recognizing contributions to Louisiana's culture and history; and
8	WHEREAS, Dr. Malcolm Vidrine has been recognized as the 2022 recipient of the
9	James William Rivers Prize in Louisiana Studies for his key contributions to the LSU at
10	Eunice and Acadiana communities through the Cajun Prairie Restoration Project; and
11	WHEREAS, Dr. Vidrine, fellow LSU at Eunice professor, Dr. Charles Allen, and a
12	group of local prairie enthusiasts officially began the Cajun Prairie Restoration Project in
13	1988; the project consists of a ten-area living exhibit of more than one hundred species of
14	plants, flowers, and grasses that are all native to Louisiana and has been touted as one of the
15	United States' leading flora restoration sites; and
16	WHEREAS, in addition to his prairie conservation efforts, Dr. Vidrine is also an
17	accomplished researcher and author who has published twenty books, one hundred sixteen
18	scientific papers, and one hundred twenty-five published abstracts; he is most deserving of
19	the highest recognition for his incredible accomplishments.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

- 2 commend Louisiana State University at Eunice Professor Emeritus Dr. Malcolm Vidrine for
- 3 being recognized as the 2022 recipient of the James William Rivers Prize in Louisiana
- 4 Studies; does hereby further recognize Dr. Vidrine's truly inspiring commitment to the
- 5 restoration of Louisiana flora and the Cajun Prairie; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes
- 6 that he continue to prosper in all of his endeavors.

## **DIGEST**

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