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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 136

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUSTIN MILLER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Lavaille Lavette on her many accomplishments.

WHEREAS, Lavaille Lavette has held numerous professional titles including investment broker, schoolteacher, school district administrator, speech writer, and marketing executive; her educational qualifications include bachelor's degrees in both mathematics and accounting and a master's degree in education management; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lavette is considered an expert in the field of education, having served as an advisor to the United States Secretary of Education, Dr. Rod Paige; she currently serves in an executive role at a publishing firm and multimedia packaging company that specializes in publishing fiction and nonfiction books for children and adults as well as consumer marketing and licensing in the publishing, television, movie, music, and podcast industries; and

WHEREAS, Lavaille possesses a genuine passion for writing, which she discovered as an elementary schoolgirl; her popular children's book series, "The Adventures of Roopster Roux", was originally created to encourage her younger brother, Tyrone, to become as interested in reading as he was in sports; the book offers the wholesome message that "Reading can as much fun as a home run, a touchdown, or a slam dunk!"; the success of the series has led to many celebrity guest appearances, including with former WNBA MVP Cynthia Cooper, comedian Steve Harvey, and Los Angeles Lakers legend A.C. Green; and

WHEREAS, Lavaille's new work, "Jayylen's Juneteenth Surprise", follows a young boy's first experience celebrating Juneteenth; the book also teaches young readers about the national holiday that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved peoples in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lavaille Lavette is most deserving of the highest recognition for her many incredible academic and professional accomplishments.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Lavaille Lavette on her many accomplishments and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that she continue to prosper in all of her endeavors.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES