

2023 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Fairfield Elementary School on its centennial celebration.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Fairfield Elementary School on its centennial celebration.

3 WHEREAS, Caddo Parish school board President B. W. Marston first recognized  
4 the need for a school in the Cedar Grove community of Shreveport and led the Caddo Parish  
5 School Board to purchase a seven acre tract of land in 1922 for ten thousand five hundred  
6 dollars and invested one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars to build Cedar Grove  
7 Elementary School which is modern day Fairfield Elementary School; and

8 WHEREAS, Fairfield Elementary School's journey was almost lost when the school  
9 was virtually destroyed by fire in December 1927, but the resilience of the community  
10 reopened the doors to learning the next August to five hundred eager first through seventh  
11 grade students; and

12 WHEREAS, Fairfield Elementary School is recognized as the only global studies  
13 campus in North Louisiana offering students study in multiple languages, culture, art,  
14 geography, and music from nations around the world. Although recently added as the focus  
15 of the Fairfield Magnet School Program, global studies began at Fairfield Elementary School  
16 in 1947 with the annual theme for study of "Building foundations for world citizenship"  
17 during that academic year; and

18 WHEREAS, the year 2000 marked a change in Fairfield Elementary School moving

1 the campus from a neighborhood school to serve students from across the parish. The  
2 campus serves students from diverse and multicultural backgrounds. The school is noted for  
3 its high student academic performance including being rated an "A" school by the Louisiana  
4 Department of Education. The campus goals of increasing academic achievement, improving  
5 school pride, and broadening parent and community involvement help to focus student  
6 achievement throughout the year; and

7 WHEREAS, the faculty of Fairfield Elementary School shares their knowledge and  
8 experiences with other schools across the parish, state, and nation. The school believes that  
9 they are stronger together than alone and that when one individual is successful, everyone  
10 succeeds; and

11 WHEREAS, Bulldog pride has served thousands of students over the past one  
12 hundred years. Bulldog pride is defined by being kind but courageous, friendly but dignified,  
13 and fierce but loyal to excellence in all that Fairfield Elementary School students do; and

14 WHEREAS, the occasion of the centennial celebration allows Cedar Grove  
15 Elementary and Fairfield Elementary School alumni, as well as former faculty and staff, an  
16 opportunity to step back into the history and heritage of a family-focused neighborhood  
17 school to honor the past and look forward to the future with campus tours, ceremonies,  
18 celebrations, and events during the 2023-2024 school year.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
20 commend Fairfield Elementary School on its centennial celebration.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
22 Fairfield Elementary School.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Nicholas Davison.

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