

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 195

BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Recreation and Park Commission for the parish of East Baton Rouge (BREC) Foundation for its exceptional service.

WHEREAS, in 2002, a nonprofit corporation was established with the noble purpose of supporting, promoting, and invigorating public interest in the preservation, construction, and maintenance of public parks, open spaces, and areas with natural conservation features in East Baton Rouge Parish; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the significance of leisure time activities that enhance the overall quality of life, the organization strives to develop recreational opportunities tailored to meet the diverse needs and interests of area citizens, irrespective of gender, age, culture, socioeconomic backgrounds, and physical and mental capabilities; and

WHEREAS, for over two decades, the BREC Foundation has actively collaborated with the Recreation and Park Commission for the parish of East Baton Rouge (BREC) to make a profound impact on our community; and

WHEREAS, the BREC Foundation's mission is dedicated to raising funds for parks and recreation, benefitting the health, welfare, and cultural enrichment of all residents and visitors of East Baton Rouge Parish; as responsible stewards of the funds entrusted by generous donors, the organization adheres to their wishes and directives, fostering innovation, sound corporate governance, and meaningful partnerships to further its mission and provide opportunities to its members; and

WHEREAS, the BREC Foundation has successfully forged public-private partnerships, exemplifying the potential for individuals and families to combine their donations with BREC funding, thus transforming their aspirations into tangible realities; and

WHEREAS, the projects and initiatives supported by the BREC Foundation are driven by donor interests, as it actively collaborates with citizens, civic groups, associations, and businesses to revitalize neighborhood parks, construct trails, support youth programs, and create new amenities; and

WHEREAS, the tireless dedication of numerous volunteers serving on the BREC Foundation Board of Directors has been instrumental in carrying out the invaluable work of the BREC Foundation; and

WHEREAS, to this day, the BREC Foundation continues to champion opportunities for visionaries to realize enhanced park facilities and enriching recreational programs within East Baton Rouge Parish, fostering exceptional donor engagement for meaningful purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby wholeheartedly commend the BREC Foundation for its exceptional service and recognize its significant contribution in unifying the efforts of all those who strive to make the state of Louisiana a better place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be communicated to BREC, the BREC Foundation, the Mayor-President of East Baton Rouge Parish, and the members of the East Baton Rouge Metro Council.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE