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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

COMMENDATIONS: Commends St. Scholastica Academy in Covington for one hundred twenty years of educating young women in the Benedictine tradition of prayer, work, study, and community

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend St. Scholastica Academy in Covington for one hundred twenty years of
3	educating young women in the Benedictine tradition of prayer, work, study, and
4	community.
5	WHEREAS, St. Scholastica Academy was founded by the Benedictine Sisters in
6	1902, and the academy's bell rang from its tower atop the four-story building for the first
7	time on September 4, 1903; and
8	WHEREAS, St. Scholastica's bell rang again in 1910 to signal the dedication of the
9	grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, which is the current location of the students' May crowning
10	event; throughout the academy's early years, the bell rang for classes, Mass, and for the
11	Angelus; and
12	WHEREAS, the Archdiocese of New Orleans purchased St. Scholastica's Academy
13	in 1965 and agreed to oversee the construction of a new school building; in 1967, the bell
14	rang to announce the dedication of the new school buildings, and the academy officially
15	became an Archdiocesan high school; and
16	WHEREAS, St. Scholastica's bell rang again on November 15, 2008, to announce
17	the dedication of Our Mother of Perpetual Help Chapel, which became the first official
18	chapel on the campus in forty years; and
19	WHEREAS, St. Scholastica Academy is recognized by the United States Department
20	of Education as a national Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, and the academy is accredited

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1 by AdvancEd; additionally, the school has an enrollment of approximately four hundred 2 seventy young women and an average class size of twenty-two students, giving each student 3 the opportunity to be seen and heard in the classroom; and 4 WHEREAS, St. Scholastica Academy is a leader in the use of technology for educational purposes; the school offers a one-to-one computing program for collaborative 5 6 and creative learning, and its digital arts program and TV production studio provide students 7 with opportunities for real world experience with industry grade film and graphic design 8 software; and 9 WHEREAS, St. Scholastica's students are provided an environment that allows for 10 the development of individual initiative and leadership, and they consistently outscore other 11 schools around the state and across the nation on standardized tests; and 12 WHEREAS, St. Scholastica Academy's extracurricular and athletic programs are also 13 foundational aspects of the school's offerings; students are able to select between thirty-five 14 extra-curricular activities and fifteen team sports; as a member of the Louisiana High School 15 Athletic Association, the "Doves" have earned numerous district and state championships 16 in a variety of sports; and 17 WHEREAS, St. Scholastica Academy, its faculty, staff, and students are all worthy 18 of the highest recognition for carrying on the school's beautiful Benedictine traditions. 19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 20 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend St. Scholastica Academy in Covington for 21 one hundred twenty years of educating young women in the Benedictine tradition of prayer, 22 work, study, and community and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the academy 23 continue to serve the youth of Covington and the state of Louisiana for many years to come.

## DIGEST

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Commends St. Scholastica Academy in Covington for 120 years of educating young women in the Benedictine tradition of prayer, work, study, and community.