

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 173

BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

COMMENDATIONS. Commends and recognizes Elijah Hogan for his academic achievements and resilience.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and recognize Elijah Hogan for his academic achievements and resilience.

3 WHEREAS, Elijah Hogan, a Louisiana high school senior, demonstrated exceptional
4 academic prowess by graduating at the top of his class with the highest-earned GPA of
5 3.9688 at Walter L. Cohen High School in New Orleans; and

6 WHEREAS, Elijah, despite facing homelessness for the past year and a half,
7 exhibited unwavering determination and resilience in pursuing his education, embodying the
8 spirit of perseverance and dedication; and

9 WHEREAS, Elijah's journey from homelessness to valedictorian serves as an
10 inspiring example of overcoming adversity and succeeding against the odds, proving that
11 with perseverance and support, anything is possible; and

12 WHEREAS, Elijah's remarkable achievement is a testament to his character, hard
13 work, and the support he received from the Covenant House, a homeless shelter in New
14 Orleans, as well as his extended family members and the staff at his high school, all of
15 whom he specifically credited in his graduation speech to his classmates; and

16 WHEREAS, Elijah was awarded a full scholarship to Xavier University and intends
17 to begin his college career majoring in graphic design; and

18 WHEREAS, Elijah Hogan's story serves as a beacon of hope and encouragement for

1 all young people, regardless of their circumstances, inspiring them to pursue their dreams
2 with determination and resilience.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
4 does hereby commend and recognize Elijah Hogan for his outstanding academic
5 achievement, perseverance, and resilience in the face of adversity and extends its heartfelt
6 congratulations on his remarkable accomplishment and best wishes for his continued success
7 in all his future endeavors.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Elijah
9 Hogan.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

DIGEST

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