

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 298

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

A RESOLUTION

To commend Keeton Johnson of Leesville High School for his outstanding achievements in sports.

WHEREAS, Keeton Johnson, a senior at Leesville High School in Vernon Parish, Louisiana, has distinguished himself as an exceptional athlete in the sport of track and field, demonstrating unparalleled dedication, talent, and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, Keeton Johnson has achieved the remarkable feat of winning the state championship in the 1600-meter run, also known as the metric mile, for four consecutive years at the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) Class 4A State Meet, showcasing his dominance in middle-distance running from 2022 through 2025; and

WHEREAS, in the course of his illustrious high school career, Keeton Johnson has broken two long-standing records at Leesville High School, surpassing Michael Wheatley's fifty-nine-year-old records in both the mile and the half-mile, thereby etching his name into the annals of Wampus Cat history; and

WHEREAS, Keeton Johnson has demonstrated his versatility as a multi-sport athlete, earning a varsity letter in basketball, where he contributed to the Wampus Cats' athletic program with the same commitment and excellence he displayed on the track; and

WHEREAS, in his senior year of 2025, Keeton Johnson played a pivotal role in leading the Leesville High School Wampus Cats to a runner-up finish at the LHSAA Class 4A State Meet, further cementing his legacy as a leader and competitor; and

WHEREAS, Keeton Johnson has graduated as the most highly decorated Wampus Cat in Leesville High School history, amassing an unprecedented seven first-place finishes

at the LHSAA Class 4A State Meet across various events, a testament to his versatility, competitive spirit, and enduring legacy; and

WHEREAS, Keeton Johnson's achievements have brought immense pride to Leesville High School, the Vernon Parish community, and the state of Louisiana, serving as an inspiration to young athletes and embodying the values of hard work, discipline, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Louisiana House of Representatives recognizes and honors Keeton Johnson for his extraordinary accomplishments in track and field and as a multi-sport athlete who has set an exemplary standard for athletic achievement at Leesville High School and within the LHSAA Class 4A division.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Keeton Johnson of Leesville High School for his outstanding achievements in sports and does hereby extend best wishes for continued success in all of his endeavors.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES