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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER AND SENATOR ERDEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Zachary Fitzpatrick of Holden on receiving an honorable mention from the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program.

WHEREAS, Zachary Fitzpatrick, a native of Holden, Louisiana, is a junior biochemistry major at Louisiana State University (LSU) in the College of Science with minors in chemistry and political science; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from LSU, Zachary plans to pursue a joint medical degree and Ph.D. in neuroscience; and

WHEREAS, Zachary's goal is to conduct translational biomedical research to develop gene and cellular therapeutics for neurodegenerative diseases; and

WHEREAS, Zachary works with Dr. Arnold Feldman as a nationally certified phlebotomist and electrocardiogram technician at the Feldman Institute, a comprehensive pain management clinic and surgery center; and

WHEREAS, Zachary also works with Dr. Jolene Zheng in the LSU Food Science Department, where he studies Parkinson's disease and metabolic dysfunctions; and

WHEREAS, Zachary recently developed a novel proposal for a gene therapeutic agent for the treatment of Parkinson's disease, and this work earned Zachary an honorable mention from the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program; and

WHEREAS, to further execute his gene therapy proposal, Zachary has also worked with Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator Dr. Katherine High, a world-renowned medical scientist, at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, which was established by congress in 1986, is a federal scholarship awarded to select college students with the purpose of

providing a continuing source of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers by awarding scholarships to college sophomores and juniors; and

WHEREAS, Zachary Fitzpatrick merits a special measure of commendation for his outstanding accomplishments, as a citizen, scientist, and scholar.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Louisiana State University student Zachary Fitzpatrick of Holden, Louisiana, upon his receipt of an honorable mention from the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program, does hereby recognize and record for posterity his exceptional academic achievements, does hereby express enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor he brings to his community and state, and does hereby extend to him best wishes for continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Zachary Fitzpatrick.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE