BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN, BARROW, CHAMPAGNE, HILL, HODGES, KATRINA JACKSON, NANCY LANDRY, MORENO, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES, THIERRY, AND WHITNEY AND SENATORS BROOME, BUFFINGTON, DORSEY-COLOMB, AND PETERSON

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Hayley Powers Hilton of Alexandria upon her receipt of a 2013 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation for her achievements in the field of College Woman of Excellence and upon being a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

WHEREAS, Hayley Powers Hilton of Alexandria is the daughter of Dr. David and Mrs. Patricia Hilton and a graduate of Holy Savior Menard Central High School where she was a Bishop Greco Valedictorian, was student body president, was named a two-year All-State Defender in soccer, and was awarded the Louisiana State Youth Leadership Council Award; and

WHEREAS, Hayley Hilton attends the University of Notre Dame, where she is a Science Pre-Professional Studies major with a minor in Irish Language and Literature, and Hayley plans to attend medical school in Louisiana after graduation from Notre Dame; and

WHEREAS, Hayley has participated in a number of activities that will prepare her for medical school and for her planned career as a doctor; Hayley has participated in clinical internships and research experiences that have deepened her interest in the medical field, worked as an intern at the Baylor Heart Hospital in Dallas, Texas, where she was exposed to the different departments and procedures of the hospital, and shadowed a doctor at the St. Charles Surgical Hospital in New Orleans in order to learn about breast cancer and the cutting-edge clinical research involved with lymph node transfers; and

WHEREAS, Hayley received the Notre Dame Keough Naughton Fellowship to travel to Cork, Ireland, in order to do research at University College Cork with the Neonatal Brain Research Group; the project studied electroencephalography signals and their role in

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predicting seizures in neonates, and she also researched congenital hypothyroidism and Niemann-Pick Type C with her classmates in the Clinical Research in Rare and Neglected Diseases course; and

WHEREAS, during the coming summer, Hayley plans to study the obesity epidemic as it relates to health care diseases in the high-risk poverty parishes of Louisiana, and she hopes to learn more about community-supported agriculture and other programs that could alleviate the obesity epidemic and healthcare issues in these areas; and

WHEREAS, Hayley has had many valuable experiences at Notre Dame; she has been employed in the Sports Medicine Department as a student athletic trainer, has worked such sporting events as football practices and games, and has administered treatments under the guidance of the Sports Medicine staff; and at Notre Dame she also has served as Special Events commissioner for Farley Hall council, as President of the Culinary Club, as a member of the Academic Affairs Student Government Committee, and is the cofounder and copresident of the Louisiana Club; and

WHEREAS, Hayley has grown mentally and spiritually through volunteer opportunities, such as participating in an Appalachia Spring Break service trip on environmental sustainability, taking part in New Orleans Urban Plunge, volunteering as a classroom aide at the Early Childhood Development Center on campus, making trips to Kindred Hospital in South Bend, and gardening at a local community share garden, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and

WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, for 2013, there are six fields or categories for the Women of Excellence Awards: Business, College Woman of Excellence, Education and Research, High School Woman of Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Military; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2013 Women of Excellence Awards are being recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of

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Excellence Awards Gala on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, at the historic Hilton Capitol House

Hotel in Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, Hayley Powers Hilton of Alexandria has been named a recipient of a

2013 Women of Excellence Award in the field of College Woman of Excellence (Ages 18-

25) and also is a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation

Scholarship for her accomplishments which demonstrate that she has truly excelled in a

college career that is preparing her for further education and for a career as a medical doctor;

and

WHEREAS, Hayley Hilton merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation

for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and it is entirely

appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Hayley Hilton upon her receipt of

a 2013 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus

Foundation and of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship which

recognize her vital contributions to the citizens of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

commend Hayley Powers Hilton upon her receipt of a 2013 Women of Excellence Award

from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation for her achievements in the

field of College Woman of Excellence and upon her receipt of a Louisiana Legislative

Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship, does hereby recognize and record for posterity

her singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana, and does hereby extend enduring

appreciation for the tremendous honor and pride that she brings to her community and the

state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

to Hayley Powers Hilton.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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