Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 160

BY REPRESENTATIVE GUILLORY

A RESOLUTION

To commend Catherine Fontenot of Basile, a Louisiana State University Honors College student, upon being named a Harry S. Truman Scholar.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Catherine Fontenot of Basile, a Louisiana State University Honors College student, upon being named a Harry S. Truman Scholar; and

WHEREAS, the Truman Scholarship Foundation was established by congress in 1975 as the federal memorial to Harry S. Truman, the thirty-third president of the United States, and awards scholarships for college students to attend graduate school in preparation for careers in government or elsewhere in public service; and

WHEREAS, Truman Scholars receive up to thirty thousand dollars for graduate study and priority admission and supplemental financial aid at some premier graduate institutions, leadership training, career and graduate school counseling, and special internship opportunities within the federal government; and

WHEREAS, one of only sixty-two students selected nationwide as Truman Scholars this year, Ms. Fontenot is an LSU Honors College student and a biological sciences major in the College of Science; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Fontenot has distinguished herself as an outstanding scholar and citizen in a variety of endeavors, including researching primate genomes in Dr. Mark Batzer's Laboratory of Comparative Genomics, studying poverty as a Louisiana Service and Leadership Scholar, and working with the Volunteer Health Corps of Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, following her graduation from LSU in May of 2014, Ms. Fontenot plans to pursue degrees in medicine and public health, concentrating on internal medicine, infectious disease, and global health; and WHEREAS, Catherine Fontenot merits a special measure of appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor she brings to Louisiana State University and to her family, community, and state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Catherine Fontenot of Basile, a Louisiana State University Honors College student, upon being named a Harry S. Truman Scholar, does hereby recognize and record for posterity her exceptional academic achievements and contributions to her fellow citizens, and does hereby extend to her best wishes for continued success and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Catherine Fontenot.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES