

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 203

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Ed "Skeets" Tuohy upon his induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Ed "Skeets" Tuohy, legendary Newman High School basketball coach, upon
3 the occasion of his induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame was established in 1958 and was
5 intended, in the words of Otis Harris, sports editor of the *Shreveport Journal*, to be "the
6 Louisiana Hall of Fame – a hall of fame for the state's greatest athletes, men or women,
7 amateur or professional, living or dead"; and

8 WHEREAS, though the Hall of Fame was begun over fifty years ago, it is only this
9 year that it has a permanent and appropriate home to recognize Louisiana's greatest sports
10 heroes, for on Friday, June 28, 2013, the grand opening will be held for the stunning twenty-
11 three million dollar Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame and Northwest Louisiana History
12 Museum in the National Historic District of Natchitoches; and

13 WHEREAS, among the remarkable class of honorees to be inducted into the
14 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame on Saturday, June 29, 2013, is legendary high school
15 basketball coach, Ed "Skeets" Tuohy; and

16 WHEREAS, beginning his coaching career at Newman High School in New Orleans,
17 he transformed a 13-12 record team into an undefeated team, winning the state championship
18 title in his first year of coaching; and

19 WHEREAS, Coach Ed "Skeets" Tuohy coached the Newman High School basketball
20 team to state championship titles for three seasons, 1960-1961, 1962-1963, and 1963-1964;
21 and

1 WHEREAS, when the Newman basketball team was not winning the state title, it
2 was competing hard for the title, for Coach Tuohy led his team to the state tournament nine
3 times in his fifteen seasons, including six years in a row from 1961-1966; and

4 WHEREAS, Coach Ed "Skeets" Tuohy was vital to the Newman basketball team
5 winning the district championship all fifteen years he coached, not losing a district game in
6 his last six seasons; and

7 WHEREAS, Coach Ed "Skeets" Tuohy's coaching career ended in 1975 after he
8 suffered a stroke; and

9 WHEREAS, the advice and motivation of Coach Ed "Skeets" Tuohy has lived on
10 through his three sons, each of whom played college basketball; and

11 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives wishes to recognize Ed "Skeets" Tuohy
12 for his peerless coaching career and for his well-deserved induction into the Louisiana Sports
13 Hall of Fame, for he was truly one of Louisiana's greatest athletes.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ed "Skeets" Tuohy, legendary Newman
16 High School basketball coach, upon the occasion of his induction into the Louisiana Sports
17 Hall of Fame.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
19 to the family of Coach Tuohy.

DIGEST

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