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Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42

BY SENATORS GARY SMITH AND BROWN AND REPRESENTATIVES GAINES, MILLER AND WILLMOTT

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Ajit "AJ" Pethe on being selected the 2014 Principal of the Year.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Ajit "AJ" Pethe of St. Charles Parish Public Schools upon being selected the
3	2014 Louisiana Principal of the Year and to recognize his outstanding service and
4	contributions to the education of the youth of Louisiana.
5	WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the Legislature of Louisiana wishes to
6	commend and recognize Ajit "AJ" Pethe upon his selection as the 2014 Louisiana Principal
7	of the Year; and
8	WHEREAS, Mr. Pethe received his Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education and
9	his Masters in Educational Administration from the University of New Orleans, both times
10	with a 3.9 grade point average; and
11	WHEREAS, Mr. Pethe was an educator for sixteen years and served as principal at
12	Luling for the past six years where he led Luling to increase its school performance score
13	by almost twenty points during his tenure and was named the district's principal of the year
14	and then state principal of the year, he now serves as the Executive Director of Secondary
15	Schools in the Central Office; and
16	WHEREAS, prior to his appointment in 2007 as principal of Luling Elementary
17	School, he served the district well as a middle school teacher and coach, and administrative
18	assistant of Lakewood Elementary School, and assistant principal of Hahnville High School;
19	and
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1	WHEREAS, he is a member of numerous organizations, the National Association
2	of Elementary School Principals, American Association of School Administrators,
3	Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, National Council of Teachers of
4	Mathematics, Louisiana Association of School Executives, Louisiana Association of
5	Principals, and the National Reading Council; and
6	WHEREAS, the most important qualification for a Principal of the Year is a superior
7	ability to provide instructional leadership to teachers and students of all backgrounds and
8	abilities; and
9	WHEREAS, Mr. Ajit "AJ" Pethe's selection as the Principal of the Year just
10	confirmed what St. Charles Parish School District, St. Charles Parish teachers, and St.
11	Charles Parish residents already knew, which is that St. Charles Parish has a superior
12	educational system; and
13	WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Legislature of Louisiana expresses its
14	recognition and congratulations to Mr. Pethe who has spent his career touching and inspiring
15	the lives and minds of the young students of St. Charles Parish while sharing his gifts, skills,
16	personal commitment, and time to promote and improve the educational system in St.
17	Charles Parish and in Louisiana.
18	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
19	commend Mr. Ajit "AJ" Pethe of St. Charles Parish Public Schools upon being named the
20	2014 Louisiana Principal of the Year and recognizes his outstanding service and
21	contributions to the education of the youth of Louisiana.
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ajit
23	"AJ" Pethe.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tammy Crain Waldrop.

DIGEST

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