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

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Amanda Baudot Morehouse on being selected as the 2013 Louisiana High School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Teacher of the Year Program, which is cosponsored by the Louisiana Department of Education, the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, and Dream Teachers, is an annual event that recognizes and honors top performing teachers in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Baudot Morehouse, a teacher at Hahnville High School in St. Charles Parish, received the 2013 Louisiana High School Teacher of the Year award during the Sixth Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Symposium on July 12, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morehouse began her teaching career at Hahnville High School in 2006 teaching English, creative writing, and reading; and

WHEREAS, at Hahnville High School, she is a senior project mentor, a professional learning community facilitator for English II, a new teacher mentor, scholastic writing coordinator, and English tutor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morehouse holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Creative Writing with a minor in communication studies from Louisiana State University, and has completed twenty-seven hours toward her master's degree in English Literature from the University of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morehouse is certified in secondary English from the Louisiana Resource Center for Education; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Louisiana Reading Association with the National Council of Teachers of English and serves as a teacher consultant for the Greater New Orleans Writing Project; and

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WHEREAS, as a Louisiana Teacher of the Year, Ms. Morehouse received prizes

from local merchants and a monetary award in the amount of two thousand five hundred

dollars from Dream Teachers in recognition of her outstanding achievements as a

professional educator in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, she is held in the highest regard by her students and colleagues for her

remarkable ability to motivate students to succeed beyond their own expectations, and

because she has demonstrated a dedicated spirit and an intense determination to improve the

quality of education in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities,

and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication

of teachers like Amanda Baudot Morehouse.

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

commend and congratulate Amanda Baudot Morehouse for the exemplary strides she has

taken in molding young minds, for the joy and pride she has brought to her entire community

and to the state of Louisiana, and to congratulate her and her family, friends, students,

administration, and colleagues as they commemorate this most significant and unforgettable

achievement.

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

Amanda Baudot Morehouse.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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