

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 120

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A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University Lady Tigers Gymnastics team and Head Coach

D-D Breaux on the highest national finish ever achieved by an LSU gymnastics team.

WHEREAS, with the guidance of Coach Breaux, the 2014 Lady Tigers' earned a score of 197.600 and third place in the NCAA Super Six finals; and

WHEREAS, the Super Six score was the record-breaking thirteenth consecutive competition in which the gymnasts scored at least 197 this season, shattering the old school record of eight in a row; and

WHEREAS, through the season, the Lady Tigers scored 197 or higher in fourteen of fifteen outings on their way to earning the nation's top ranking for a three-week stretch in late February and early March; and

WHEREAS, reaching the number one ranking was the first time since 2005 that Coach Breaux and the Lady Tiger gymnasts had earned that ranking; and

WHEREAS, following a pre-season national mark of fifth in the country, the Lady Tigers ranked no lower than third during the entire regular season and was seeded third for the NCAA championships; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Lady Tiger gymnastics team broke the school's all-time scoring mark three times; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers scored 197.875 on February 15, 2014, at the Metroplex Challenge in Fort Worth, Texas, to break the old record of 197.50 that had stood for nine years; and

WHEREAS, during the Southeastern Conference season the Lady Tigers set a new all-time team high tally with a score of 198.050 against Missouri and finishing the season 11-0 at home, posting a flawless home record for the fifteenth season in a row; and

WHEREAS, the highest mark ever earned by an LSU Lady Tigers gymnastics team was recorded in the Baton Rouge regional with a total of 198.325, which tied the highest score in the nation this season and qualified the Lady Tigers for the national semi-finals for the twenty-fifth time in D-D Breaux's tenure; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers led the nation with five gymnasts as First-Team All Americans at the NCAA championships; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Lady Tigers gymnastics team ended the year as the only team in the nation to score a 49.0 or higher in every event in every meet this entire season; and

WHEREAS, amid a historically successful season, the Lady Tigers shattered the home attendance record for the second straight season, including hosting a record crowd for an NCAA Regional, besting all other venues by nearly one thousand fans attending; and

WHEREAS, the team earned twenty total All-American honors as a team, including twelve regular season All-American honors that tied the most of any team; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach D-D Breaux was named National Coach of the Year by the National Association of Collegiate Gymnastics Coaches/Women while LSU assistant coaches, Jay Clark and Bob Moore were honored as co-national assistant coaches of the year; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers thrilled fans throughout the year, set new team and individual records throughout the season, all accomplishments that culminated in the highest finish in school history with third place at the NCAA Super Six Finals in April.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana State University Lady Tigers gymnastics team and Head Coach D-D Breaux on their highest national finish ever by an LSU team.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the LSU Lady Tiger gymnastics team and Head Coach D-D Breaux.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE