

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 180

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Tynes Hildebrand on receiving the 2014 Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports Leadership Award

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Tynes Hildebrand on receiving the 2014 Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports
3 Leadership Award.

4 WHEREAS, the Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports Leadership Award is presented
5 annually by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association's thirty-member Louisiana Sports Hall
6 of Fame selection committee to an individual who has played a decisive role as a sports
7 leader or administrator benefitting Louisiana and bringing credit to the state on the national
8 and international level; and

9 WHEREAS, the Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports Leadership Award is named in honor
10 of Hall of Famer Dave Dixon, the driving force behind bringing the National Football
11 League to Louisiana with the creation of the New Orleans Saints franchise, and the man who
12 is also considered the "father" of the Mercedes-Benz Louisiana Superdome; and

13 WHEREAS, Dixon Award winners are enshrined as Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame
14 members and are featured in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Museum; and

15 WHEREAS, Northwestern State University (NSU) and National Collegiate Athletic
16 Association (NCAA) basketball administrator Tynes Hildebrand is one of two 2014
17 recipients of the Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports Leadership Award; and

18 WHEREAS, Tynes Hildebrand, a native of DeSoto Parish, was Northwestern's head
19 basketball coach for sixteen seasons, and served as the Demons' athletic director from 1983
20 through 1996; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Hildebrand has been one of the NCAA's four regional officiating
2 advisors for Division I men's hoops since 2006; and

3 WHEREAS, as a coach, Tynes Hildebrand ranks third in career wins at NSU; and

4 WHEREAS, Coach Hildebrand led the Demons into NCAA Division I and made
5 national tournament appearances at the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics
6 (NAIA) level, in addition to providing assistance with the training camp of the 1972 United
7 States Olympic Team; and

8 WHEREAS, as athletic director, Tynes Hildebrand steered NSU into the Southland
9 Conference in 1987, and his tenure was marked by unprecedented competitive and
10 fundraising success, as well as the addition of a steady stream of young athletic
11 administrators who continue to impact today's intercollegiate and professional sports scene;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Tynes Hildebrand became a traveling evaluator for the initial round of
14 the NCAA's Division I certification process, and served on numerous NCAA committees,
15 until retiring as athletic director in 1996; and

16 WHEREAS, Tynes Hildebrand will be among the 2014 Louisiana Sports Hall of
17 Fame induction class to be spotlighted at the annual induction dinner and ceremonies on
18 Saturday evening, June twenty-first, at the Natchitoches Events Center.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
20 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Tynes Hildebrand on receiving the 2014
21 Dave Dixon Louisiana Sports Leadership Award.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
23 to Tynes Hildebrand.

DIGEST

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