

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 152

BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN, BARROW, HILL, HODGES, JACKSON,  
NANCY LANDRY, MORENO, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES, THIERRY,  
WHITNEY, AND WOODRUFF AND SENATORS BROOME, BUFFINGTON,  
DORSEY-COLOMB, AND PETERSON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends The Cinderella Project, a nonprofit organization, upon  
its receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award from the La. Legislative Women's  
Caucus Foundation

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend The Cinderella Project of Baton Rouge upon its receipt of a 2015 Women of  
3 Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in  
4 the category of Nonprofit of Excellence.

5 WHEREAS, The Cinderella Project was founded in 2008 and is led by volunteers  
6 with chapters in Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Monroe, New Orleans, and Shreveport; and

7 WHEREAS, The Cinderella Project supports young women throughout Louisiana  
8 with resources that they may not otherwise have access to; its goal is to provide educational  
9 outreach and community-based projects that are designed to build confidence and self-  
10 esteem; and

11 WHEREAS, through its signature service program of collecting donated prom  
12 dresses and distributing them to high school students who are in financial need, The  
13 Cinderella Project assists young women in attending prom while instilling an appreciation  
14 for community service; and

15 WHEREAS, more than six thousand prom dresses have been distributed to young  
16 women across Louisiana through The Cinderella Project's five chapters; and

17 WHEREAS, in 2012, The Cinderella Project launched its second service program,  
18 the Leadership Academy; this service program is an intensive, college-preparatory workshop  
19 for high school females from schools across Louisiana; and

1 WHEREAS, the Leadership Academy assists underserved high school women with  
2 the transition from high school to college by helping with college applications, connecting  
3 them with financial aid resources, and discussing the expectations of and demands on college  
4 students; and

5 WHEREAS, Leadership Academy attendees are given the opportunity to learn about  
6 important aspects of college life such as the ACT test and preparation options, the  
7 importance of financial budgets while in college, and scholarships and financial aid; and

8 WHEREAS, since 2012, seventy-three students have graduated from the Leadership  
9 Academy and enrolled in colleges across the state of Louisiana; and

10 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the  
11 Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence  
12 across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and

13 WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics  
14 of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are  
15 committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

16 WHEREAS, for 2015, there are six categories for the Women of Excellence Awards:  
17 Business, College Woman of Excellence, Health and Medicine, High School Woman of  
18 Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Nonprofit of Excellence; and

19 WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2015 Women of Excellence Awards are being  
20 recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of  
21 Excellence Gala on Tuesday, May 26, 2015; and

22 WHEREAS, The Cinderella Project has been named a recipient of a 2015 Women  
23 of Excellence Award in the category of Nonprofit of Excellence for its work to improve and  
24 strengthen the lives of women in Louisiana; and

25 WHEREAS, The Cinderella Project merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of  
26 commendation for its dedication to excellence and outstanding accomplishments, and it is  
27 appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend The Cinderella Project upon its  
28 receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's  
29 Caucus Foundation and to recognize its vital contributions to the citizens of Louisiana.

1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
2 commend The Cinderella Project upon its receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award  
3 from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of Nonprofit  
4 of Excellence; does hereby recognize and record for posterity its singular contributions to  
5 the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous  
6 pride and honor that The Cinderella Project brings to the state of Louisiana.

7           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
8 to The Cinderella Project.

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DIGEST

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