

2015 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

BY SENATOR JOHNS

COMMENDATIONS. Commends William Sommers as the recipient of the prestigious Don E. Wydra Memorial Award for his extraordinary contributions to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate William Sommers, Director of the Calcasieu Parish Office  
3 of Juvenile Justice Services, on being the recipient of the Don E. Wydra Memorial  
4 Award for making an extraordinary contribution to juvenile justice and delinquency  
5 prevention.

6 WHEREAS, on May 6, 2015, at the 35th Governor's Conference on Juvenile Justice  
7 held in New Orleans, William Sommers, Director of the Calcasieu Parish Office of Juvenile  
8 Justice Services (OJJS), received the Don E. Wydra Memorial Award plaque; and

9 WHEREAS, the Don E. Wydra Memorial Award focuses on the commitment of the  
10 recipient towards bettering juvenile justice as a whole and being an advocate for juveniles  
11 who often have none; and

12 WHEREAS, the award was created by members of the Governor's Juvenile Justice  
13 and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board in memory of Don E. Wydra who served as  
14 Chief of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections' Juvenile Services Section under  
15 three governors, Edwin Edwards, Dave Treen and Buddy Roemer; and

16 WHEREAS, William Sommers' work with OJJS reflects his significant impact on  
17 juvenile justice as a role model, with unselfish support of workers and volunteers, and an  
18 exceptional work ethic in many years of service; and

