SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 129

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

## A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Cory Bahr on his numerous contributions and extraordinary accomplishments, on his inspiration to others, and on his individual promotion of Louisiana and all the state has to offer.

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the citizens of Louisiana and the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana recognize and honor Cory Bahr; and

WHEREAS, Cory Bahr was reared by his grandparents who he credits with teaching him his life skills, how to grow a garden, hunt, fish, cook, can, and preserve foods, teaching him the essentials to prepare wonderful and delicious southern dishes with flavorful and local ingredients such as cornmeal, sweet potatoes, rabbits, venison, and duck eggs; and

WHEREAS, Cory has been instrumental in shining a spotlight on Louisiana culture by winning "Chopped", the television show where chefs compete for prize money; being crowned Louisiana Seafood King, which is a huge honor among chefs, and is a competition held in New Orleans each year highlighting the seafood industry; winning the 2014 Diner's Choice, 2015 Food and Wine's Best New Chef; and has recently been honored with the cover of Louisiana Travel's official inspiration guide issue; and

WHEREAS, his fame has only spiraled upward since "Chopped" aired, first with the opening of his restaurants Cotton's and then Nonna's; and

WHEREAS, he is not only a world renowned chef, but also an ambassador for Louisiana's tourism and a booster for Louisiana's seafood and agricultural industry; and

WHEREAS, his cuisine often highlights Louisiana's unique and rich culture, and showcases what makes Louisiana a state unlike any other; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depends, in great measure, upon the dedication of people like Cory Bahr who use their considerable talents and Louisiana's rich resources to promote tourism and increase economic growth for future generations.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Cory Bahr on his numerous contributions and his extraordinary accomplishments, and on his efforts to inspire others through his uniquely southern cuisine while promoting the diverse heritage and culture that Louisiana and its citizens have to offer to the rest of the world.

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

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE