

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 124

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Sam Fox for his extraordinary fundraising efforts for The Michael J. Fox Foundation through the Tour de Fox.

WHEREAS, Sam Fox is a twenty-seven year old endurance athlete who has turned his passion for the outdoors into extreme fundraising events in honor of his mother, Lucy, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Sam Fox serves as the outreach and engagement officer at The Michael J. Fox Foundation, the world's largest nonprofit foundation for Parkinson's research; and

WHEREAS, since 2000, the foundation has funded more than four hundred fifty million dollars in global research; and

WHEREAS, as part of The Michael J. Fox Foundation, Team Fox helps raise critical research dollars and unites communities in pursuit of a cure for Parkinson's Disease; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Sam ran the entire 2,650-mile Pacific Crest Trail from Canada to Mexico in a total of sixty days; this extraordinary effort raised three hundred thousand dollars for Parkinson's research; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, he ran one hundred miles in twenty-four hours from Times Square, Manhattan, to the Hamptons and raised an additional one hundred thousand dollars for Parkinson's research; and

WHEREAS, in his efforts to unite and inspire the Parkinson's community, Sam will test his physical limits by running, biking, and climbing through each of the forty-eight continental United States in three months during the Tour de Fox; and

WHEREAS, as part of Tour de Fox, Sam will travel through New Orleans on June 29, 2015, and through Baton Rouge on June 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2015, Sam Fox will climb Driskill Mountain, the highest point in the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Sam Fox serves as an inspiration to others because of his integrity and his steadfast dedication to The Michael J. Fox Foundation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Sam Fox for his fundraising efforts on behalf of The Michael J. Fox Foundation through Tour de Fox; does hereby recognize and record for posterity his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions; and does hereby extend to him best wishes for success on his Tour de Fox and all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Sam Fox.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES