

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 120

BY REPRESENTATIVE SEABAUGH AND SENATOR PEACOCK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Maggie Grace Loper of Caddo Parish Magnet High School upon her selection as a representative of Louisiana at the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress in Chicago, Illinois.

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian Leadership program (HOBY) was established in 1958 by the popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired after meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer to create an organization designed to encourage young people to take a leadership role in society and become catalysts for change; and

WHEREAS, Maggie Grace Loper, daughter of Jason Blake and Grace Ann Blake, attended the Louisiana Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar held in June, 2015, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Maggie Grace Loper was joined in the leadership seminar by one hundred thirty other young leaders representing their high schools throughout Louisiana; they discussed the core values of the HOBY organization, including the impact of volunteering in one's community, partnership in community, and an appreciation and need for diversity in today's culture; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress is held every year in conjunction with a major United States university, and the World Leadership Congress brings together young men and women from around the world for a weeklong intensive educational leadership conference; and

WHEREAS, Maggie Grace Loper was chosen to represent Louisiana in the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress being held in July, 2015, at Loyola University Chicago; and

WHEREAS, at the World Leadership Congress, more than four hundred students from around the world assemble to learn firsthand about other cultures and opinions, form friendships, and exchange ideas in an environment where they can feel comfortable in open discussion with their peers, learning to voice how they have shaped and formed their own views about the role of leadership in society; and

WHEREAS, Hugh O'Brian believes the most important thing in education is to teach young people to think for themselves, and the more than four hundred seventy-five thousand HOBY alumni demonstrate how this belief has influenced and inspired young people to become more involved in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress seeks to inspire high school students to excel as leaders, using friendship with others as a catalyst for their learning experiences.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Maggie Grace Loper of Caddo Parish Magnet High School upon her selection as a representative of Louisiana at the Hugh O'Brian World Leadership Congress in Chicago, Illinois, and does hereby recognize the pride and honor that this wonderful young woman brings to her family, friends, school, community, and state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Maggie Grace Loper and the principal of Caddo Parish Magnet High School.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE