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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 131

BY SENATOR COLOMB

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Catholic High School of Baton Rouge football team on winning the state championship.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend the Catholic High School football team upon winning the 2015 Division I
3	State Championship in Louisiana High School Athletic Association competition and
4	to congratulate the team and coaches on an exceptional season.
5	WHEREAS, on December 4, 2015, the Catholic High Bears earned the title of
6	Division I State Champions after defeating the Archbishop Rummel Raiders by a score of
7	31-28 in the Allstate Sugar Bowl/LHSAA Prep Classic at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome
8	in New Orleans; and
9	WHEREAS, the championship win, a culmination of a remarkable journey for the
10	Bears, was the first football title in the school's 121-year history; and
11	WHEREAS, this thrilling victory, which was decided by a 34-yard field goal on the
12	final play of the game, provided the storybook finish to an incredible championship run in
13	which CHS had three come-from-behind wins against the top three seeds in its division; and
14	WHEREAS, in capturing the title, the 2015 Catholic High Bears displayed the
15	courage, determination, fortitude, and desire of every championship team, while always
16	upholding the principles of good sportsmanship; and
17	WHEREAS, under the tutelage of Head Coach Dale Weiner who was skillfully
18	assisted by the members of his coaching staff, Matthew Burmaster, Robert Conroy, Sanders

Davis, Gabe Fertitta, Deuce Harrison, Eric Held, Renaldo Thompson, Adam White, and
Caleb Williamson, the team was propelled to lofty heights; and

WHEREAS, by providing the leadership and motivational skills necessary to produce a winning spirit and instilling confidence in each individual, the coaching staff molded these talented athletes into a championship-caliber team; and

WHEREAS, during his 28th year of leadership, Coach Weiner, who has built an orange and black legacy that will remain for generations to come, captured his 300th career victory and became only the eighth coach in Louisiana High School football to reach the 300-win milestone; and

WHEREAS, from the first team meeting until the final moment of play, the Bears lived both on and off the field by their mantra, "Believe it", never wavering in their belief in themselves and each other, using it as the catalyst to become one cohesive unit; and

WHEREAS, never losing sight of their dream of winning the state football title, these student athletes performed to their highest potential throughout the regular season and the playoffs, and each member of the squad deserves special recognition for his contribution to that triumphant effort and to the success of the Catholic High School football program; and

that triumphant effort and to the success of the Catholic High School football program; and WHEREAS, the 2015 Catholic High Bears, Brandon Beale, Johnathan Benoit, Johnathan Bernard, James Berrigan, Alex Bertrand, Andrew Bienvenue, Alex Van Biersel, Ashton Blount, Blair Bogan, Colin Bonine, Brandt Boudreaux, Brogan Bourgeois, Conner Bowen, Ian Brian, Noah Broussard, Paul Brown, Chris Cameron, Diego Carrera, Lance Chaisson, Joe Clark, Marlon Coates, Grant Conway, Zach Crawford, Kam Cummings, Jordan Davenport, Blake Davis, James Delee, Denver Dennison, Jack Ducote, Kyle Dugas, Patrick Dunn, Sheldon Dyer, Chris Dyess, Clyde Edwards-Helaire, Brandon Fairbanks, Brett Fontaine, Parker Fontenot, Grant Gallegos, Andrew Gauthier, Connor Gauthier, John Eric Ginn, Beau Griffon, Gary Gudiel, Daniel Guilbeau, Lawrence Hamilton, Payton Harris, Brady Hebert, Brian Herry, Austan Hood, Kale Howard, Jenaro James, Branson Johnson, Tarick Johnson, Vernon Langley, Blane Lemaire, Kole Lemoine, London Lewis, Jacob Little, Mason Mann, Jacob Martin, Tyler Mason, Markham McKnight, Justin McNeely, Patrick Mensah, Ben Miles, Joseph Mitchell, Aaron Moffitt, Hunter Monson, Timothy Morgan, Isaac Nosacka, Zach Olsen, Jordan Oubre, Tyrone Payne,

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Chase Priest, Dylan Ramsey, Connor Rawls, D. J. Rousseau, Rock Schexnaydre,
Grant Segar, Jared Small, Braeden Smith, Parker Smith, Tre' Square, Preston Stafford,
Justin Stevens, Parker Sulik, Jesse Theriot, Zach Tom, John Waggenspack,
Christian Walker, Tristan Welch, K.J. Wilson, and J.C. Wood, all forged together as one unit
committed to excellence; and

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WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting that these extraordinary young men are recognized for such an outstanding accomplishment that was earned through the finest expression of teamwork, tenacity, and dedication to the sport of football and to each other.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Catholic High School football team on winning the LHSAA Division I State Football Championship and does hereby recognize the tremendous sense of honor and pride the team has brought to the school, its alumni, and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend best wishes to the players, coaches, and staff involved with this outstanding football program as they celebrate an exceptional season and prepare for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to school officials, Gene Tullier, school president; Lisa Harvey, principal; J. P. Kelly, athletic director; and Dale Weiner, head football coach.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tammy Crain Waldrop.

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Commends the Catholic High School football team upon winning the 2015 Class 5A Louisiana state football championship.