

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 215

BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Leyton Page upon receipt of the Carnegie Medal from the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission in recognition of an outstanding act of heroism.

WHEREAS, in 1904, industrialist-philanthropist Andrew Carnegie endowed a fund to recognize outstanding civilian heroism throughout the United States and Canada by those who risk their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2015, Leyton Page observed an overturned boat on the Bogue Chitto River, with two young boys trapped in a boil of water at the base of a dam; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Page took his own boat to the scene and entered the boil and attempted to lift one of the boys to his boat, but lost his grip as the backwash pulled the boat to the dam, where it capsized and submerged him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Page surfaced and used his boat as a buoy and maneuvered himself to the young boys, and held on to them and his overturned boat; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Page kept the boat between the boys and the dam to blunt the water's strong flow until additional help was able to arrive and assist; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Fire District 9 Chief Scott Brewer has credited Leyton Page with saving the lives of brothers Jacob Morris and John Morgan; and

WHEREAS, in the one hundred thirteen years since the Carnegie Hero Fund was established, nine thousand nine hundred thirty-four heroes have been awarded the Carnegie Medal; and

WHEREAS, the courageous and selfless acts of Leyton Page on that March day in 2015 epitomize the heroism for which the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission was founded, and it is fitting to recognize his award of the Carnegie Medal for heroism.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Mr. Leyton Page upon receipt of the Carnegie Medal for heroism, and does hereby express best hopes and wishes for his future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Leyton Page.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES