

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 33

BY SENATOR BERNARD

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Robin Fambrough on receiving the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame 2020 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism.

WHEREAS, for more than thirty years, Robin Fambrough has covered high school sports for *The Advocate* in Baton Rouge while also serving the Louisiana Sports Writers Association in various leadership capacities, including serving as its first female president from 1999-2001; and

WHEREAS, in her thirty years at *The Advocate* in Baton Rouge, twenty-nine years as the lead high school sportswriter, Robin Fambrough has been recognized five times as the Louisiana Sports Writers Association's Division I Prep Writer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, she received the Louisiana High School Athletic Association's journalism award in 2001 and 2016 and also received the Louisiana High School Athletic Association's 2001 Distinguished Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Robin Fambrough received the Louisiana High School Coaches Association's 2003 Distinguished Service Award; and

WHEREAS, she received the Louisiana Track and Field Coaches Association's 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Robin Fambrough became the fourth sportswriter and the first female reporter to be inducted into the Louisiana High School Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, since the mid-1990's Robin Fambrough has served as liaison for the Louisiana Sports Writers Association with the Louisiana High School Athletic Association and as liaison, has played a pivotal role for both organizations, providing vital insight to facilitate best practices for prep coverage by the media and assisting in the development of the Louisiana High School Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, she has served on the selection committee for the Louisiana High School Sports Hall of Fame for three decades and also coordinates *The Advocate's* prestigious Star of Stars High School Sports Awards each spring; and

WHEREAS, Robin Fambrough served as president of the Louisiana Sports Writers Association when the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame ceremonies moved to Shreveport in 2000, gaining traction for the development of a museum; and

WHEREAS, she has coordinated the Louisiana Sports Writers Association's All-State selection process in all prep sports for nearly her entire thirty-year tenure at *The Advocate*; and

WHEREAS, Robin Fambrough has become one of the most well-regarded sports journalists in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, she attributes following three simple rules as the secret to her success: "Be present as much as possible, be engaged, and be sincere".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Robin Fambrough on receiving the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame 2020 Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Robin Fambrough.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE