

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53

BY SENATOR ROBERT MILLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the city of Minden, Louisiana, for its outstanding fundraising efforts for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and for raising more money per capita for St. Jude than any other city in the United States.

WHEREAS, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has continuously been one of the world's premier centers for the research and treatment of pediatric cancer and other catastrophic childhood diseases since its founding by the late entertainer Danny Thomas in 1962; and

WHEREAS, St. Jude is the first and only pediatric cancer center to be designated as a Comprehensive Cancer Center by the National Cancer Institute; and

WHEREAS, children from all fifty states and from around the world have come through the doors of St. Jude for treatment; and

WHEREAS, thousands more children around the world have benefitted from the research conducted at St. Jude that the hospital shares freely with the global medical community; and

WHEREAS, St. Jude is the only pediatric cancer research center where families never pay for treatments that are not covered by insurance; and

WHEREAS, despite the pandemic and some significant hurdles in 2020 and 2021, the city of Minden and surrounding communities raised \$1,655,349.00 during the 2021 Auction for the Kids to benefit the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, thereby raising more money per capita for St. Jude than any other city in the United States.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the city of Minden, Louisiana, for its outstanding fundraising efforts for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and for raising more money per capita for St. Jude than any other city in the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the city of Minden through its mayor, Terry Gardner.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES