

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 134

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches on its forty-eight years of promoting basketball in Louisiana and D. Scott Landry for his years of leadership in the organization.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches on its forty-eight years of  
3 promoting basketball in Louisiana and D. Scott Landry for over twenty years of  
4 leadership in the organization.

5 WHEREAS, in 1974, representatives from fourteen Louisiana universities and  
6 colleges met for the sole purpose of forming a state organization to promote basketball at all  
7 levels of competition in Louisiana; and

8 WHEREAS, from that initial meeting, the Louisiana Association of Basketball  
9 Coaches (LABC) was formed, the first state organization of its kind in the nation, and on  
10 May 7, 2022, the LABC held its forty-eighth consecutive annual awards banquet in Baton  
11 Rouge; and

12 WHEREAS, LABC's membership is comprised of the coaches from all twenty-four  
13 of Louisiana's four-year and two-year basketball-playing universities and colleges, and its  
14 board of directors is comprised of the head men's basketball coach at each school; and

15 WHEREAS, in 1975, LABC created the Louisiana Basketball Hall of Fame to honor  
16 former great Louisiana college basketball players and coaches, and through the years,  
17 inductees have included Bob Pettit of LSU, Willis Reed of Grambling State, Pete Maravich  
18 of LSU, Robert Parish of Centenary, Joe Dumars of McNeese State, Karl Malone of

1 Louisiana Tech, and Shaquille O'Neal of LSU; and

2 WHEREAS, each year at its annual awards banquet, the LABC inducts new Hall of  
3 Fame members and presents awards to Louisiana's major college, small college, junior  
4 college, and high school Players- and Coaches-of-the-Year, as well as the top professional  
5 basketball player from Louisiana; and

6 WHEREAS, selected by the state's men's basketball coaches, the LABC also names  
7 a Mr. Louisiana Basketball Award for the person who has made a significant long-term  
8 contribution to the game of basketball at any level in the state; and

9 WHEREAS, past winners of this award have included not only former college and  
10 high school coaches and players, but also sportswriters, sports information directors,  
11 announcers, referees, an athletic trainer, and even a fan; and

12 WHEREAS, the LABC also has a memorial award in honor of founder and its first  
13 president, Don Landry, that is given periodically to someone who has rendered distinguished  
14 service and made a significant contribution to the LABC; and

15 WHEREAS, since the award's inception in 1998, the LABC has only named three  
16 recipients of the Don Landry Award, including the 2005 recipient, D. Scott Landry, who is  
17 the son of the award's namesake and has served as the LABC's executive secretary since the  
18 late 1990s; and

19 WHEREAS, in this volunteer role, Mr. Landry handles the day-to-day operations of  
20 the LABC, and seventeen years after his receipt of the award, Mr. Landry's commitment and  
21 service to LABC remains distinguished and truly worthy of recognition; and

22 WHEREAS, in addition to its awards, LABC has engaged in many other promotional  
23 activities including coaches clinics and All-Star Games; and

24 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities,  
25 and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication  
26 of people like D. Scott Landry and organizations like the LABC that spend their talents,  
27 time, and energy coaching, teaching, and positively molding the young minds of tomorrow's  
28 leaders.

29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
30 does hereby recognize LABC for its continued commitment to promote and provide support

