

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 24

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Amy Sins on receiving the Greater New Orleans Champions of Service Award from Volunteer Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Amy Sins is a truly selfless individual who has consistently demonstrated a long-term commitment to humanitarian service through her efforts to provide aid and support to those affected by natural disasters in both her home state of Louisiana and around the world; and

WHEREAS, Amy is a proven leader in disaster relief, and her work through her nonprofit charity, Fill the Needs, has helped thousands of people and delivered millions of dollars in aid to victims of tornadoes, floods, hurricanes, and war; she remains fully committed to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by natural disasters regardless of challenging circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Amy founded Fill the Needs after recognizing the need for improved coordination in the first fourteen days following a natural disaster; while large organizations and government agencies mobilize resources following a natural disaster, Fill the Needs actively engages in relief efforts by rapidly deploying networks to identify the appropriate resources, locations, and teams to activate; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sins possesses an extraordinary ability to coordinate and mobilize resources to provide aid and support effectively and efficiently; she rallied Louisianians to provide relief to victims of the 2008 flooding in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and she joined the cause to provide relief to Southeast Louisiana during the historic flooding of 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sins has also provided relief and support following Hurricane Harvey, the New Orleans East tornadoes, Hurricane Florence, Hurricane Dorian, Hurricane Laura, the COVID-19 pandemic, Hurricane Ida, and Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her incredible disaster relief efforts, Amy has coordinated with nongovernmental organizations to assist families in overseas areas of conflict; she has supported Afghan families and students with immigration, facilitated and assisted successful evacuations and visa pathways for at-risk Afghans, and contributed to forums in order to assist at-risk and religious minority Afghans in their search for resettlement pathways and job opportunities; she has also made similar contributions to Ukrainian families fleeing the war and met with a general and lieutenant colonel of the Ukrainian Army in Washington, D.C., to discuss and provide solutions for various challenges brought by the war; and

WHEREAS, Amy Sins is a truly inspiring individual whose astounding charitable contributions to the state of Louisiana, the United States of America, and the world are most deserving of the highest degree of recognition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Amy Sins on receiving the Greater New Orleans Champions of Service Award from Volunteer Louisiana; does hereby further recognize her unfathomable dedication to humanitarian causes, regardless of the challenges she may face; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that all Louisianians look to Ms. Sins as a true example of a community servant.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES