2023 Regular Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 134** 

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHEXNAYDER AND MINCEY

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Deputy Brett Savant of the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office on being named 2023 Deputy of the Year by the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association.

WHEREAS, Deputy Brett Savant has served the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office for more than a decade; he began his tenure working in the detention center and later moved to uniform patrol where he served until 2018; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Savant now serves as a school resource officer in Livingston Parish and thrives in the school setting; as a former patient of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and survivor of childhood cancer, he goes above and beyond the call of duty to exhibit genuine compassion for the children he serves; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Savant's passion for serving Louisiana's youth combined with his experience as a school resource officer in Livingston Parish motivated him to create the nonprofit organization "Save Our Kidz"; he created the charity after noticing that, outside of the school nurse's stations, local schools had no additional first aid or lifesaving equipment such as tourniquets and choking rescue devices; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Savant further realized the increasing need for improved security and lockdown protocols in schools, with more than two thousand school shootings in the United States since 1970; he understands that in order to lessen the burden on first responders and increase their odds of successfully providing medical attention, schools must be equipped with the necessary gear to immediately respond to an emergency situation; and

WHEREAS, through Save Our Kidz, Deputy Savant has collected monetary donations to buy and distribute both tourniquets and choking rescue devices to his schools; he hopes to expand his reach to serve all of Livingston Parish and the state of Louisiana; his charity has provided lifesaving devices to eleven Louisiana schools as of January 2023; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Brett Savant of the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office was recently named Deputy of the Year by the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and he is most deserving of the highest recognition for his unusual initiative and imagination in the performance of his duty and for improving the quality of life in Livingston Parish and the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Deputy Brett Savant of the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office on being named 2023 Deputy of the Year by the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that he continue to prosper in all of his endeavors.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES