

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 90

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

COMMENDATIONS. To commend the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches on its 50th Anniversary of promoting basketball in Louisiana and its executive secretary D. Scott Landry for his many years of dedicated service to the association.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches (LABC) on its 50th
3 Anniversary of promoting basketball in Louisiana and its executive secretary D.
4 Scott Landry for his many years of dedicated service to the association.

5 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches (LABC) was founded
6 on September 18, 1974, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, by representatives from fourteen
7 Louisiana universities and colleges with the primary goal of promoting basketball at all
8 levels throughout the state; and

9 WHEREAS, the LABC was the first state-level organization of its kind in the nation,
10 demonstrating Louisiana's leadership and commitment to the sport of basketball; and

11 WHEREAS, at its founding meeting, a constitution was approved and adopted, and
12 the initial officers of the LABC included President Don Landry of Nicholls State, Vice
13 President Benny Hollis of UL-Monroe, Secretary Tynes Hildebrand of Northwestern State,
14 and Treasurer Jerry Sanders of Nicholls State; and

15 WHEREAS, the LABC's charter members of the Board of Directors consisted of
16 esteemed individuals from various institutions, contributing their expertise and passion for
17 basketball to the organization's success; and

18 WHEREAS, the LABC has played a pivotal role in advancing basketball in

1 Louisiana, organizing coaching clinics, awards banquets, and the annual LABC North-South
2 All-Star Game, which has been a celebrated event in the state's basketball community; and

3 WHEREAS, the LABC's initiatives also include the establishment of the Louisiana
4 Basketball Hall of Fame, honoring legendary figures who have made lasting contributions
5 to the sport, and the prestigious Mr. Louisiana Basketball award, recognizing individuals
6 who have significantly impacted basketball in the state; and

7 WHEREAS, in 1998, the LABC created the Don Landry Award to honor individuals
8 for their distinguished service and significant contributions to Louisiana basketball, further
9 solidifying the organization's commitment to recognizing excellence in the sport; and

10 WHEREAS, LABC recently held its 50th Annual Awards Banquet in Baton Rouge;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Tynes Hildebrand, the third president of the LABC (1977-1978), who
13 has been an exemplary leader and advocate for basketball in Louisiana, received the
14 esteemed Don Landry Award for his outstanding contributions to the LABC over the
15 decades; and

16 WHEREAS, Carlos Sample was named the 2024 Mr. Louisiana Basketball Award
17 winner; Carlos Sample was the head basketball coach at Scotlandville Magnet High School
18 for sixteen seasons and one of the most prolific tenures in Louisiana high school history;
19 during that time, Coach Sample had a record of 482-83, coached three nationally-ranked
20 teams, won eight state championships, and had six state runner-up finishes that spanned an
21 unprecedented 14 straight state title game appearances in Louisiana's highest classification;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Carlos Funchess was named the 2024 Louisiana Basketball Hall of
24 Fame Inductee; after a successful professional career, Carlos Funchess became the head
25 coach of the Southern Lady Jaguars; he is a past recipient of the Maggie Dixon Award as the
26 top first-year head coach, and in just his fifth season, led the Lady Jaguars to the 2023
27 SWAC tournament title; and

28 WHEREAS, the executive secretary to LABC since the late 1990s is D. Scott
29 Landry; and

30 WHEREAS, in this volunteer role, Scott handles the day-to-day operations of the

