SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 203

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To commend and recognize Wiley Brazier V for his extraordinary contributions to education, technology, and entrepreneurship, and for his unwavering commitment to empowering youth, educators, and communities in Louisiana and around the world.

WHEREAS, Wiley Brazier V, a proud Louisiana native, is a nationally and internationally acclaimed educator, tech strategist, and entrepreneur whose life's work has transformed the way youth and adults access opportunity through education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier is the visionary founder and executive director of *We Greaux People*, a Baton Rouge-based, award-winning education and technology innovation company dedicated to transforming education and business through innovative solutions and unlocking the power of technology; and

WHEREAS, his trailblazing efforts have empowered thousands of students, educators, adults, and business owners with the digital tools, industry certifications, and technology skills necessary to thrive in today's digital economy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier began his career as a science teacher and quickly rose to leadership roles, where he became renowned for his ability to turn around underperforming schools and for his student-centered leadership philosophy; and

WHEREAS, in Texas, Mr. Brazier was the founding principal of two innovative high schools serving at-risk and non-traditional students, including a night school for recovering dropouts, helping the district achieve record graduation numbers through his pioneering use of blended learning; and

WHEREAS, his outstanding leadership and innovative approach to educational technology earned him the prestigious "Award for Exemplary Leadership" from the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), recognizing his global impact; and

WHEREAS, upon returning to Louisiana, Mr. Brazier led McKinley Middle Magnet School in Baton Rouge to an "A" academic rating from the Louisiana Department of

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Education and implemented the parish's first one-to-one Chromebook initiative, which now benefits tens of thousands of students districtwide; and

WHEREAS, he launched East Baton Rouge Parish's first Google certification training for educators, laying the foundation for a culture of digital learning that continues to benefit educators and students alike; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier's work as a district and state administrator, mentor, and professor continues to influence educational practices across Louisiana and beyond, while embodying his core belief in "doing what's best for kids"; and

WHEREAS, through *We Greaux People*, Mr. Brazier has built powerful partnerships with major technology firms such as Google, Microsoft, Dell, Adobe, and Apple, and aligned the company's mission with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to promote equitable, global access to education; and

WHEREAS, the organization's outreach has included youth coding programs, adult workforce development, digital literacy training, and industry-based certification initiatives that prepare learners of all ages to thrive in a technology-driven world; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier has expanded enrichment opportunities by establishing after-school programs, youth technology clubs, and summer experiences like *Creator Camp* 225 and *Greaux STEM Camp*, which ignite students' interest in STEM and digital creativity; and

WHEREAS, his leadership in convening global educational leaders through the *Global Ed Unite Conference* exemplifies his commitment to fostering collaboration, innovation, and digital equity on a worldwide scale; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier has been recognized as a "Grow with Google High Impact Partner" for three consecutive years, 2023, 2024, and 2025, a distinction awarded to only a select few organizations nationwide for delivering impactful digital skills and career training; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a Google for Education Certified Trainer, Google Innovator, and Google Educator Group (GEG) mentor, he is also a Microsoft Innovative Educator Expert Trainer, further demonstrating his leadership at the forefront of educational technology; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Brazier has also been honored with the "Guide Right Challenge Award" from Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, for his exceptional mentorship of youth, and he continues to serve with humility, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to educational equity; and

WHEREAS, through his service as a husband, father, educator, entrepreneur, and mentor, Wiley Brazier V stands as a shining example of Louisiana's innovative and service-minded spirit, inspiring the next generation to dream bigger and reach higher.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Wiley Brazier V for his remarkable and far-reaching contributions to education, technology, and workforce development, and for his transformative impact on the lives of students, educators, and communities in Louisiana and across the globe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Wiley Brazier V.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE