

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 88

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the 2012-2013 Northwestern State University men's basketball team on an outstanding season

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate the Northwestern State University Demons basketball team
3 upon advancing to its third National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)
4 Tournament appearance and to extend best wishes to the players and coaches as they
5 celebrate this historic occasion and prepare for another successful season.

6 WHEREAS, upon the culmination of the remarkable 2012-2013 season and the
7 team's advancement to its third NCAA Tournament, it is appropriate that the extraordinary
8 achievements of the Northwestern Demons basketball team be commended and celebrated;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, in finishing with twenty-three wins and a Southland Conference
11 Tournament Championship, the Demons performed at the highest level of excellence
12 throughout the 2012-2013 season; and

13 WHEREAS, the Demons outstanding season saw head coach Mike McConathy
14 become the winningest men's college basketball coach in Louisiana history, and the Demons
15 record their second most wins ever in a season at Northwestern; and

16 WHEREAS, during the 2012-2013 season, the Demons ranked among the nation's
17 top one hundred teams in eleven statistical categories, including finishing second nationally
18 in scoring and sixth in steals per game; and

19 WHEREAS, the Demons earned the Southland Conference automatic bid with a
20 classic two-point victory over regular-season Southland Conference winner Stephen F.
21 Austin in Katy, Texas; and

1 WHEREAS, the 2012-2013 season marked the one hundredth year of Demon
2 basketball, which was commemorated in a centennial celebration on the campus of
3 Northwestern State University on March 9, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, this season also marked the tenth twenty-win season in school history
5 but only the third in NSU's Division I history; and

6 WHEREAS, head coach Mike McConathy, assistant coaches Jeff Moore, William
7 Lewit, and Jacob Spielbauer have continued a winning tradition, bringing the Northwestern
8 basketball program to national prominence and instilling the leadership and motivation
9 needed to produce winners in athletics and in life; and

10 WHEREAS, all members of the remarkable Northwestern State University basketball
11 squad merit recognition and congratulations for their outstanding performance and
12 competitive spirit throughout the season which culminated in the Southland Conference
13 Tournament championship and an appearance in the NCAA Tournament; and

14 WHEREAS, the Demons of Northwestern have the full confidence and support of
15 the Louisiana House of Representatives as they enjoy the victories of the renowned 2012-
16 2013 season and look forward to continued success and triumph in the future.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Northwestern State University Demons
19 basketball team upon advancing to its third National Collegiate Athletic Association
20 Tournament appearance, does hereby recognize and record for posterity the tremendous
21 pride and honor the team has brought to Northwestern State University and to the state of
22 Louisiana with this monumental accomplishment, and does hereby extend best wishes to the
23 players, coaches, and everyone involved with this premier basketball program as they
24 celebrate this truly historic occasion and prepare for another successful season.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
26 to head coach Mike McConathy.

DIGEST

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