

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 111

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the members of the Louisiana State University gymnastics team and their coaches on their outstanding 2013 season.

WHEREAS, this year's LSU gymnastics team advanced to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Super Six competition, and it is appropriate to commend everyone involved with this superb program for another record-setting season; and

WHEREAS, LSU finished the season ranked fifth in the country, the second highest finish in school history, and the team racked up ten NCAA All-American honors, tying the school record set in 2006 and again in 2009; and

WHEREAS, LSU won the NCAA Regional Title in Columbus, Ohio, and finished the season with twenty-five wins, including ten postseason wins, the most since the 1990 squad won eleven; and

WHEREAS, the team tied the school record for the most scores of 197 in a season, scored the third best score in school history, and earned the highest finish at the SEC competition since 2006; and

WHEREAS, Sarie Morrison, Llominicia Hall, and Rheagan Courville earned perfect 10.0 scores this season, Head Coach D-D Breaux received the Coach of the Year award at the NCAA Regional Meet, and Associate Head Coach Jay Clark and Assistant Head Coach Bob Moore were named Staff of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Rheagan Courville also earned SEC Gymnast of the Year, Central Region Gymnast of the Year, and Honda Award Finalist honors, captured the SEC All-Around title and the vault and beam titles, becoming the first LSU gymnast to win three SEC titles in one season, finished 2013 with six All-American honors, including two on vault and two in the all-around, and was the National Runner-Up for the NCAA All-Around title, the second-highest finish in school history in the All-Around; and

WHEREAS, Llomincia Hall was ranked number one in the nation for most of the season on the floor exercise, won the SEC floor title for the second year in a row, becoming the third LSU gymnast to win two conference floor titles in a career, and earned two All-American honors on floor this season, including first-team recognition for the regular season and all SEC honors for the second straight year; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Savona won the SEC floor title, sharing the title with teammate Llomincia Hall and earning her All-SEC recognition after scoring a career high of 9.95, and was only the fourth LSU gymnast in school history to win the SEC floor title, joining Sandra Smith, Ashleigh-Clare Kearney and Ms. Hall; when Ms. Savona scored a 9.925 on floor in the season opener, she achieved the highest event score in a freshman's first meet in LSU history; and

WHEREAS, the members of this remarkable team and their coaches merit the highest commendation for their hard work, dedication, and record-setting achievements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the gymnasts and coaches of the LSU gymnastics team upon an outstanding 2013 season, does hereby record for posterity the immense pride that the members and coaches of this extraordinary team bring to their family and friends, LSU, and the state of Louisiana, does hereby congratulate them for their historic and magnificent achievements and accomplishments, and does hereby extend best wishes to all of the people involved with this premier gymnastics program as they celebrate their spectacular season and prepare for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Head Coach D-D Breaux, Rheagan Courville, Llomincia Hall, and Jessica Savona.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES