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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 153

BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN, BARROW, HILL, HODGES, JACKSON, NANCY LANDRY, MORENO, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES, THIERRY, WHITNEY, AND WOODRUFF AND SENATORS BROOME, BUFFINGTON, DORSEY-COLOMB, AND PETERSON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Jennifer Barnes Maggio upon her receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award from the La. Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend Jennifer Barnes Maggio upon her receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence
3	Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category
4	of Louisiana Hero of Excellence.
5	WHEREAS, Jennifer Barnes Maggio is an award winning author of four books, a
6	nationally recognized speaker, and the chief executive officer of a global nonprofit support
7	group, The Life of a Single Mom; and
8	WHEREAS, Ms. Maggio has shared her personal journey through homelessness,
9	abuse, and multiple teen pregnancies with audiences around the world, and she has made
10	regular appearances on national radio and television programs; and
11	WHEREAS, by the time she reached nineteen years of age, Ms. Maggio's life
12	experiences had become her biggest educator as she became a single mother of two children;
13	and
14	WHEREAS, having graduated as her high school's valedictorian and senior class
15	president, receiving an education remained an important aspect of Ms. Maggio's life, and she
16	pursued her education full-time at night and worked full-time during the day; and
17	WHEREAS, through her hard work and determination, she became an eleven-time
18	Circle of Excellence winner at a prominent Fortune 500 Company; her success in corporate
19	America has led to several regional and national awards while providing her with experience

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2	and
3	WHEREAS, in 2007, Ms. Maggio began hosting single parent support groups in her
4	home as a volunteer for her church; this volunteer effort led to the founding of The Life of
5	a Single Mom Ministries; and
6	WHEREAS, Ms. Maggio is considered one of the most recognized national
7	advocates of single parent empowerment and success; her passion to help single parents is
8	contagious and her story has inspired millions of single parents around the world; and
9	WHEREAS, Ms. Maggio has received numerous awards in recognition of her
10	outstanding work, some of which include the 2014 Blue Cross Blue Shield Angel Award,
11	the 2012 Baton Rouge Business Report's 40x40 Award, and the 2011 Mother of All Ideas
12	Award; and
13	WHEREAS, she has been featured in print, television, and radio media; she also
14	works as a columnist with several magazines and websites; and
15	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the
16	Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence
17	across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and
18	WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics
19	of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are
20	committed to community service to better society as a whole; and
21	WHEREAS, for 2015, there are six categories for the Women of Excellence Awards:
22	Business, College Woman of Excellence, Health and Medicine, High School Woman of
23	Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Nonprofit of Excellence; and
24	WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2015 Women of Excellence Awards are being
25	recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of
26	Excellence Awards Gala on Tuesday, May 26, 2015; and
27	WHEREAS, Jennifer Barnes Maggio has been named a recipient of a 2015 Women
28	of Excellence Award in the category of Louisiana Hero of Excellence for her
29	accomplishments which demonstrate she has influenced the lives of people in Louisiana and
30	beyond; and

in human resources, public speaking, recruitment, financial counseling, and management;

1 WHEREAS, Jennifer Barnes Maggio merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of 2 commendation for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and 3 it is appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Jennifer Barnes Maggio upon 4 her receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's 5 Caucus Foundation and to recognize her vital contributions to the citizens of Louisiana. 6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 7 commend Jennifer Barnes Maggio upon her receipt of a 2015 Women of Excellence Award 8 from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of Louisiana 9 Hero of Excellence; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her singular 10 contributions to the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for 11 the tremendous pride and honor that she brings to her community and the state of Louisiana. 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 13 to Jennifer Barnes Maggio.

## **DIGEST**

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