

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 229

BY REPRESENTATIVES HARDY, AUBERT, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BARRAS, BARROW, CHAMPAGNE, CORTEZ, DANAHAY, DOVE, FRANKLIN, GEYMANN, GISCLAIR, ELBERT GUILLORY, MICKEY GUILLORY, GUINN, HARRISON, JOHNSON, SAM JONES, KLECKLEY, LAMBERT, LEBAS, MILLS, MONICA, MONTOUCET, PERRY, RICHARD, ROBIDEAUX, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TRAHAN, AND WOOTON AND SENATORS AMEDEE, CHAISSON, CRAVINS, DUPRE, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HEBERT, LAFLEUR, MARIONNEAUX, MICHOT, MORRISH, MOUNT, AND SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University-Eunice baseball team on winning the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division II World Series.

WHEREAS, the Bengals completed a sensational season, winning the 2008 NJCAA Division II World Series by defeating Lenoir Community College by a score of 17-5 in Game 14 at USA Stadium in Millington, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the LSU-Eunice baseball team enjoyed an impressive season, finishing with a winning record of 54-12; and

WHEREAS, the championship was the Bengals' third NJCAA Division II World Series title in five years and the culmination of another unforgettable season; and

WHEREAS, top performers included Perry Smith, who went 4-4 with two doubles and seven RBIs, Boomer Blanchard and Delta Cleary, who each hit a home run, and Ryan Boudreaux, who pitched a complete game with five strikeouts; and

WHEREAS, five members of the LSU-Eunice baseball team were named to the 2008 NJCAA Division II World Series MVP All-Tournament Team, and right fielder Perry Smith was named the 2008 NJCAA Division II World Series MVP; and

WHEREAS, the members of the LSU-Eunice baseball team performed at the highest level of excellence throughout the 2008 season, and each of these great student athletes deserves recognition for his vital contributions to the winning effort; and

WHEREAS, the amazing accomplishments of the team could not have been achieved without the guidance and skills of head coach Jeff Willis, assistant coach Alan Orgain,

assistant coach Todd Baker, and assistant coach Randy Hux as well as all of the other individuals who have contributed to the great success of LSU-Eunice's baseball program; and

WHEREAS, the team's outstanding 2008 season upholds the glorious tradition of the Bengals, and all LSU-Eunice alumni and fans recognize the immense pride and distinguished honor that the team brings to its school, community, and state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the LSU-Eunice baseball team upon winning the 2008 NJCAA Division II World Series and does hereby extend best wishes to the athletes, coaches, and everyone involved with this fine baseball program as they celebrate their exceptional 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 Jeff Willis.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE