

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 23

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A RESOLUTION

To commend Taylor Lesniewski on the mature instincts exhibited when she placed a call to 911 and saved the lives of her mother and baby sister.

WHEREAS, Taylor Lesniewski is a nine-year-old who used what she learned from the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office "Safety Town" program to save the lives of her mother and baby sister; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2020, Taylor's mother, Heather Bourgeois, awoke with severe pain in her stomach, and being in her twenty-third week of pregnancy, she knew something was terribly wrong; and

WHEREAS, Heather struggled to get to her daughter's bedroom before collapsing on the bed and asking Taylor to call 911; and

WHEREAS, Taylor dialed 911 and, remembering what she learned in the Safety Town program, used a strong, confident voice when speaking to the operator; and

WHEREAS, supervisor of the Shreveport Fire Department and Caddo 911 operator, Veronica Rambo, answered the call, heard the child's voice, and was ready to dip into her "box of tricks" in fear that Taylor would have a difficult time providing the critical information necessary to handle the call properly; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rambo launched into her questions and Taylor followed suit with her answers, calmly relaying her name, address, and the fact that her mother's stomach was hurting and that she was pregnant; and

WHEREAS, within minutes, a medical team and firefighters from the Shreveport Fire Department, Station 22, arrived on the scene, placed Taylor's mother in an ambulance, and raced her to the hospital; and

WHEREAS, having been previously diagnosed with a torn uterus, the pregnancy was considered high risk; and

WHEREAS, Heather underwent emergency surgery to rescue the tiny, one-pound, six-ounce little girl, Hadley, and to save Heather's life after two pints of blood had drained into her abdomen due to a ruptured uterus; and

WHEREAS, Taylor's calm demeanor on the phone and quick response to the 911 operator's questions saved the lives of her mother and her baby sister; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to herald youth like Taylor Lesniewski, a young daughter who exhibited calmness, courage, and confidence in the face of a life-threatening emergency involving a parent, and who represents the best and brightest in Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Taylor Lesniewski on her ability to remain calm in a crisis, utilize the lessons she learned in the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office "Safety Town" program, and respond quickly to the questions posed by the 911 operator, and does hereby record for posterity the pride and honor that she brings to her family, friends, community, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Taylor Lesniewski.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE