## A Resolution

Expressing the Sense of the Nicholls State University Student Senate and Executive Board's appreciation for the Student Media's coverage of Hurricane Francine.

WHEREAS, On September 11th, 2024, Hurricane Francine made landfall as a Category 2 storm on the Coast of Louisiana resulting in significant impacts to our community, causing major disruption, and posing challenges to the safety and comfort of student residents in all the Residence Halls - as the campus is still recovering from the aftermath of Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, the Nicholls State University student media outlets - KNSUTV and the Nicholls Worth immediately jumped into action to report on the storm with the intention of providing up-to-date media coverage while demonstrating exceptional commitment, diligence, and professionalism in every story published; and

WHEREAS, the student journalists and media staff, especially Tory Trahan's reporting was featured in multiple recognized media outlets such as the Louisiana Illuminator, KNSUTV's social media pages, and during the livestream of the Nicholls vs. Sacramento State Football Game on September 14th, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the coverage provided by these student media outlets has not only informed the community during a time of uncertainty, showcasing the vital role of responsible journalism in crisis situations, it also provided the campus community with real-time weather updates, safety instructions, and community resources, amidst challenging conditions; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Nicholls State University Student Government Association formally commends the student media outlets and thanks the faculty's support for their exemplary coverage and dedication before, during, and after Hurricane Francine to provide independent and nonbiased media coverage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Nicholls State University President Dr. Jay Clune; Executive Vice President of Finance and Administration Mr. Terry Braud; Vice Provost and Chief Academic Officer Dr. Todd Keller; Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Michele Caruso; Hon. Robert Allain, Louisiana Senate District 21; and Hon. Bryan Fontenot, Louisiana House District 55.

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