

Senate Resolution 185

By: Senator Jones of the 25th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Art for Life: Building Creativity, Community and
2 Connection; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, an art education and life-skills development course unique to the Morgan
4 County Charter School System, Art for Life: Building Creativity, Community and
5 Connection is a specialized youth development program administered by Madison Artists
6 Guild that merges art experiences and instruction with important emotional and social skills
7 development; and

8 WHEREAS, the tremendous collaborative efforts of the Madison Artists Guild Inc. and Art
9 for Life resulted in the stunning public art exhibition known as
10 COMMUNITY/CONNECTION 2020, which showcases the semester-long work of students
11 enrolled in the course at Morgan County Alternative Education Program; and

12 WHEREAS, Art for Life has built a reputation of excellence in the community and is
13 strongly supported by the citizens, organizations, and businesses of Morgan County, as
14 evidenced by it being an entirely donor-funded program that has resulted in much success;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Art for Life seeks to lead a student creation and installation of public art at a
17 Morgan County business each year to instill among its students the importance of
18 community, working collaboratively toward community goals, giving back to the
19 community, and understanding one's place in that community; and

20 WHEREAS, through this valuable program and this year's COMMUNITY/CONNECTION
21 2020 street art photography exhibit, students learned not only photography skills, elements
22 of design, artistic composition, and planning and execution skills but also how their life
23 stories and experiences are a form of art that can be shared with the public; and

24 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the young people of this state is the single most
25 important objective of the General Assembly; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
27 extraordinary program, its creators, and its resulting art exhibition be appropriately
28 recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 recognize and commend Art for Life: Building Creativity, Community and Connection for
31 its COMMUNITY/CONNECTION 2020 exhibition as well as the Madison Artists Guild and
32 the Morgan County Alternative Education Program for their many wonderful contributions
33 to Morgan County.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
36 press.