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## Representative Jack McFarland Recognized as **2025 Recovery Champion of the Year** for Significant Contributions to Addiction Treatment and Recovery

**September 2, 2025** – In observance of National Recovery Month, the Coalition of Louisiana Addiction Service & Prevention Providers (CLASPP) is honored to announce that Representative Jack McFarland (R-Jonesboro) has been recognized as **2025 Recovery Champion of the Year** for his significant contributions in the legislature to strengthening addiction prevention, treatment and recovery services in Louisiana.

“We are delighted to honor Rep. McFarland for his extraordinary leadership in the state legislature in supporting addiction recovery. He has been a real force,” **said Mike Martyn, President of CLASPP and Executive Director of Responsibility House.** “We know that there is uncertainty regarding the future of Medicaid and funding for services overall, but we are confident that under Chairman McFarland, addiction treatment and recovery will maintain priority.”

McFarland is serving his third term in the Louisiana House of Representatives and in the 2024-2027 term serves as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee. As a state representative and Appropriations Committee Chairman, Rep. McFarland has championed robust and sustainable funding to support the full spectrum of addiction treatment services for the people of Louisiana. Moreover, as a rural health care consumer, his vocal and active leadership has helped ensure access to critically needed services across all regions of the state.

“It truly is an honor to receive the 2025 Recovery Champion of the Year Award,” **said Rep. Jack McFarland.** “I will continue to do whatever I can to help with recovery services in Louisiana.”



*CLASPP President Mike Martyn (left) presenting the 2025 Recovery Champion of the Year Award to Representative Jack McFarland (right)*

**About CLASPP:** Founded in 2006, the Coalition of Louisiana Addiction Service & Prevention Providers (CLASPP) is a grassroots, member-led association of addiction prevention, treatment, and recovery provider agencies. CLASPP’s mission is to enhance prevention and addiction recovery services in Louisiana through education, awareness, and advocacy.

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