

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY REPRESENTATIVES JACKSON, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, CARPENTER, GARY CARTER, COX, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GLOVER, HALL, JIMMY HARRIS, HUNTER, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, JORDAN, TERRY LANDRY, LYONS, MARCELLE, DUSTIN MILLER, NORTON, PIERRE, PRICE, AND SMITH AND SENATORS BARROW, BISHOP, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, COLOMB, MORRELL, PETERSON, AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, May 16, 2017, as Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association Day at the state capitol and to commend the members of the Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association for their contributions to improving the judicial system in this state.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council is an arm of the National Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the provision of justice in Louisiana, the judges of the Louisiana Judicial Council undertake activities for the improvement of law, the legal system, and the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council is committed to a more diverse ethnic and cultural balance of elected and non-elected judges throughout the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council is committed to achieving the eradication of racial and class bias from the judicial process thereby improving the public's confidence in the judicial system; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association aspires to be the beacon light for justice in Louisiana and the world as it works to develop a shared sense of justice that respects the dignity of all human beings; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council fashions effective remedies for legitimate grievances of the deprived, the oppressed, and the underrepresented in society; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council facilitates and hastens the meaningful integration of the judiciary and of each agency of government controlled by or responsible to the judiciary; and

WHEREAS, the motto of the Louisiana Judicial Council is "*Fiat Justitia Ruat Coelum*" which means "*Let Justice Prevail Though The Heavens May Fall.*"

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council provides seminars, conferences, and forums for the exchange of judicial experiences for the training and continued education of its members; and

WHEREAS, the principle values of the Louisiana Judicial Council are justice and integrity, which are reflected by the respect, spirituality, selfless service, and personal courage of its membership; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association consists of the following 2016-2018 executive board members: Retired Judge Luke A. LaVergne, Judge Piper D. Griffin, Judge Sheva Sims, Judge Marc E. Johnson, Judge June Berry Darensburg, Judge Karelia Stewart, Judge Alonzo Harris, Judge Tammy D. Lee, Judge Pamela Taylor Johnson, Judge Kirk A. Williams, Judge Kern Reese, Judge Madeline Jasmine, and Judge Edwin A. Lombard.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Tuesday, May 16, 2017, as Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association Day at the state capitol and does hereby commend and express enduring appreciation and gratitude to the Judicial Council of the National Bar Association for its fight for justice and equality within the judicial branch of our government and for its contributions to the judiciary as a whole.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the officers of the executive board of the Louisiana Judicial Council of the National Bar Association.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE