

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78

BY REPRESENTATIVE TERRY LANDRY

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Louisiana Motor Transport Association and welcomes the trucking industry professionals to 2018 Truck Day at the state capitol

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Motor Transport Association and to welcome trucking industry
3 professionals to the state capitol for the 2018 Truck Day.

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Motor Transport Association was founded in 1939 and
5 has become the voice of the trucking industry by championing and representing the industry
6 before state, local, and federal government; and

7 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Motor Transport Association encourages its members to
8 participate in advocacy programs and has brought its board of directors, past presidents, and
9 leadership council to join the Legislature of Louisiana for Truck Day at the Capitol; and

10 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Motor Transport Association continues to successfully
11 promote safety and efficiency as one of its tenets through programs that include data
12 tracking, sharing the road, and safety first; and

13 WHEREAS, the trucking industry is committed to sharing its road safety principles
14 with all vehicles and the industry sends a team of professional truck drivers to communities
15 nationwide to inform drivers of passenger vehicles about a truck's blind spots and stopping
16 distances and teaches them how to merge safely around large trucks; and

17 WHEREAS, members of the Louisiana Motor Transport Association put safety first
18 through improved driver training, investment in advanced safety technologies, and active
19 participation in industry safety initiatives at the local, state, and national levels; and

20 WHEREAS, transportation and infrastructure are critical components of and have
21 a direct impact on Louisiana's economy; and

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana trucking industry pays close to five hundred million
2 dollars in federal and state roadway taxes each year, which strengthen transportation and
3 infrastructure across the state; and

4 WHEREAS, over eighty percent of all communities in the United States rely
5 exclusively on the trucking industry to move its consumer goods and products; and

6 WHEREAS, the trucking industry continues to improve energy and environmental
7 efficiency even while increasing the number of miles driven; and

8 WHEREAS, in 2014, trucks consumed ninety-seven billion fewer gallons of fuel than
9 passenger vehicles in the United States and accounted for just seventeen percent of the total
10 highway transportation fuel consumed; and

11 WHEREAS, the trucking industry makes up approximately seventy-five percent of
12 the transportation industry, which makes true the adage, "if you bought it, a truck brought
13 it"; and

14 WHEREAS, the trucking industry contributes immensely to employment throughout
15 the United States by employing ten million people in the industry; and

16 WHEREAS, employment has grown despite the trucking industry being considered
17 the industry of small business, with ninety-three percent of interstate motor carriers
18 operating twenty or fewer trucks; and

19 WHEREAS, in Louisiana, the trucking industry provides over eighty-eight thousand
20 jobs and pays over four billion dollars in wages, with an average salary of nearly forty-five
21 thousand dollars.

22 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
23 commend the Louisiana Motor Transport Association for continuing to champion the
24 trucking industry, does hereby express its gratitude for the hard work of the industry
25 professionals and their commitment to our state and the economy, and does hereby offer
26 greetings and salutations to the members of the Louisiana Motor Transport Association upon
27 their visit to the state capitol to celebrate Truck Day on May 1, 2018.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
29 to the executive director of the Louisiana Motor Transport Association.

DIGEST

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Commends the La. Motor Transport Association for their work and welcomes the trucking industry professionals to the state capitol for the 2018 Truck Day.