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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 178

BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association upon the historic occasion of its one hundredth anniversary.

WHEREAS, when the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association (BRDNA) was organized in 1918 and was known at that time as the Baton Rouge Graduate Nurses Association; the association came to fruition as a response to an influenza epidemic with the goals of ensuring fully trained and qualified nurses were practicing in the Baton Rouge community and standardizing the costs of private duty nursing services; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the BRDNA remain consistent with those established by their founders and early nursing champions; one hundred years later, nurses remain at the forefront of advocating for patients, responding to community needs, and promoting professional growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the BRDNA serves the capital region parishes of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, and West Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, the professional nursing organization fosters high standards of nursing while working to improve health standards and access to health care for Louisianians; and

WHEREAS, the BRDNA is an affiliate professional nursing organization of the Louisiana State Nurses Association and the American Nurses Association; and

WHEREAS, from bedside nursing in hospitals and long-term care facilities to the halls of research institutions, state legislatures, and congress, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession continues to meet the expanding needs of American society; and

WHEREAS, registered nurses in the greater Baton Rouge area merit a sincere measure of commendation as their remarkable dedication to the health and well-being of

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their neighbors and fellow community members is celebrated during the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association on celebrating its one hundredth anniversary and does hereby recognize the association for its important contributions to the profession of nursing and to health care in the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ms. Lisa M. Deaton, president-elect of the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES