

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 187

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Louisiana Federation of Democratic Women and welcomes its members to the state capitol on May 15, 2018, in celebration of Women in Blue Day

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Federation of Democratic Women and to welcome its members  
3 to the state capitol on May 15, 2018, in celebration of Women in Blue Day.

4 WHEREAS, the National Federation of Democratic Women, or NFDW, was formed  
5 in October 1971, when twenty-seven women gathered at breakfast at the Capitol Hilton in  
6 Washington, D.C. during the Democratic Women's Leadership Conference; and

7 WHEREAS, from 1972 to 1977, the NFDW gained recognition from the Democratic  
8 National Committee, or DNC, as the official women's organization of the party, and received  
9 a seat on the Democratic National Committee Executive Committee and three seats on the  
10 DNC; and

11 WHEREAS, the objective of the NFDW is to unite the women of the Democratic  
12 Party, promote the cause of the Democratic Party, and encourage full participation of women  
13 at every level of its structure; and

14 WHEREAS, in November 2017, twelve women from across Louisiana traveled to  
15 Little Rock, Arkansas, to participate as guests at the Southern Regional Meeting of the  
16 NFDW; and

17 WHEREAS, at the meeting, these women were welcomed by women from other  
18 southern states, and became interested in chartering a Louisiana affiliate of the NFDW; and

19 WHEREAS, after a meeting with leadership in Arkansas, the first organizational  
20 meeting of the Louisiana affiliate of the NFDW was held in December 2017, in Pineville,

1 Louisiana, where thirty-six women from across Louisiana heeded the party's call to form a  
2 statewide leadership organization; and

3 WHEREAS, after officers were elected and bylaws drafted, in February 2018, these  
4 women named the organization the Louisiana Federation of Democratic Women, or LFDW,  
5 and submitted its bylaws to the Louisiana Democratic State Central Committee, or DSCC;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, in March 2018, the LFDW was formally recognized by the DSCC and  
8 granted full voting privileges with the NFDW; and

9 WHEREAS, the LFDW is an organization dedicated to empowering Democratic  
10 women across the state of Louisiana and promoting the views and values of the Democratic  
11 Party; and

12 WHEREAS, on May 15, 2018, members of the LFDW will be visiting the state  
13 capitol in recognition of Women in Blue Day, an event taking place across the United States  
14 in support of the Democratic Party.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
16 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana Federation of Democratic  
17 Women for its services to women and the Democratic Party in the state of Louisiana and  
18 does hereby welcome its members to the state capitol on May 15, 2018, in celebration of  
19 Women in Blue Day.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
21 to the Louisiana Federation of Democratic Women.

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#### DIGEST

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