

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 26

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the organizers, volunteers, and royal court of the 2019 Italian Festival in Tickfaw

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the organizers, volunteers, and royal court of the 2019 Italian Festival in
3 Tickfaw.

4 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the organizers and volunteers of the Italian
5 Festival, held annually in April in Tickfaw, Louisiana; and

6 WHEREAS, this unique event has been a beloved tradition for the people of Tickfaw
7 and beyond since the first festival was held in the village a decade ago; and

8 WHEREAS, the festival was organized many years ago and was originally called
9 "The Little Italy Festival"; the festival moved to Tickfaw in 2009; and

10 WHEREAS, citizens of Italian descent comprise a significant percentage of south
11 Louisiana's population and have had a tremendous impact on Louisiana culture, from
12 architectural masonry to foodways to jazz and brass band music; and

13 WHEREAS, the annual Italian Festival in Tickfaw is a family-friendly celebration
14 of Italian-American culture and heritage featuring carnival rides, arts and crafts,
15 entertainment from local bands, a parade, food drive, ball, and pageant; in the Spaghetti
16 Cook-Off, judges name winners in the categories of best sauce, meatballs, and table
17 decorations; and

18 WHEREAS, Mason Burnette, a young woman of many gifts and talents, reigns as
19 the 2019 Italian Festival Queen with great distinction and dedication; Sherry Lemay reigns
20 as the Spaghetti Queen and Anthony "Tony" Lamonte reigns as the Grand Marshal; and

1 WHEREAS, the organizers and volunteers of the 2019 Italian Festival in Tickfaw
2 merit a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for the tremendous pride and honor
3 that this wonderful annual event brings to the citizens of Louisiana.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the organizers, volunteers, and royal court
6 of the 2019 Italian Festival in Tickfaw and does hereby recognize this extraordinary fair and
7 festival as an integral part of the celebration of the culture and history of Italian-Americans
8 in Tickfaw and the state of Louisiana.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
10 to Veda Abene, chairperson of the 2019 Italian Festival in Tickfaw.

DIGEST

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