

1 WHEREAS, during the 2018-2019 fiscal year, a total of 6,892 students were able to
2 use the Louisiana Scholarship Program in a total of one hundred twenty-one schools within
3 thirty-one school districts; and

4 WHEREAS, the average scholarship for a Louisiana Scholarship Program recipient
5 was \$6,100; and

6 WHEREAS, the Tuition Donation Credit Program gives low-income Louisiana
7 families the financial resources to choose a school that will best prepare their children for
8 the future; and

9 WHEREAS, the Tuition Donation Credit Program provides tax credits to taxpayers
10 who donate to tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations that provide students scholarships,
11 and such organizations use these donations to provide scholarships to students in low-income
12 families; and

13 WHEREAS, during the 2017-2018 fiscal year, a total of 2,018 students in one
14 hundred seventy-four schools were able to use the Tuition Donation Credit Program; and

15 WHEREAS, the School Choice Program for Certain Students with Exceptionalities
16 gives families of students with disabilities additional financial resources to attend
17 participating schools that offer special needs programs; and

18 WHEREAS, during the 2017-2018 fiscal year, a total of three hundred ninety-one
19 students in nineteen participating schools were able to use the School Choice Program for
20 Certain Students with Exceptionalities.

21 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
22 designate Wednesday, May 15, 2019, as School Choice Day at the state capitol and does
23 hereby encourage all Louisianians to learn more about the school choice programs that
24 benefit children and their families across the great state of Louisiana.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
26 Louisiana state president of the American Federation for Children.

DIGEST

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