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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 14

## BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

## COMMENDATIONS: Commends the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy for its contributions to the state

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy for its
3	contributions to the state.
4	WHEREAS, the pharmacy school at Northeast Louisiana State College, as it was
5	known at the time, was first approved by the Louisiana State Board of Education on
6	August 11, 1956, to address the shortage of pharmacists in Louisiana; and
7	WHEREAS, the school was organized and began offering curriculum to students in
8	September 1956; by 1959, the school had graduated twenty students and received full
9	accreditation, making it the nation's youngest pharmacy school; and
10	WHEREAS, the growth of the pharmacy school coincided with the progress of
11	Northeast Louisiana State College; on June 29, 1970, the college was recognized as a
12	university, and in 1971, the pharmacy school moved into a newly constructed, modern
13	facility; the new location of the pharmacy school was named Sugar Hall in honor of the late
14	Monroe businessman and fervent supporter of the university, Leon Sugar; and
15	WHEREAS, after joining the University of Louisiana System on August 27, 1999,
16	Northeast Louisiana State University formally changed its named to the University of
17	Louisiana at Monroe; in 2005, the pharmacy school separated from the university's College
18	of Health Sciences to form the College of Pharmacy; and
19	WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy's
20	curriculum has undergone a substantial evolution throughout the program's history; initially,
21	the program graduated students with a four-year bachelor of science degree, and in 1966, a

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master of science degree program was added; by 1998, the Louisiana Board of Regents
 approved the doctor of pharmacy degree program as a replacement for the bachelor and
 master of science programs; and

WHEREAS, today, the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy is
the only publicly supported center for pharmacy education and research in the state; in the
past six academic years, the college has graduated over five-hundred students with a doctoral
degree in pharmacy, and it is most deserving of the highest recognition for its service to the
state of Louisiana and its efforts to combat the shortage of pharmacists.

9 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 10 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the University of Louisiana at Monroe 11 College of Pharmacy for its contributions to the state; does hereby record the College of 12 Pharmacy's contributions to curing the pharmacist shortage in the state of Louisiana; and 13 does hereby extend sincere hopes that the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of 14 Pharmacy continues to produce capable and well-educated young pharmacists for many 15 years to come.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the

17 dean of the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy.

## DIGEST

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