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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

CONSERVATION: Commends and expresses support for the cooperative conservation and management work being carried out by agricultural conservation partnerships in the state

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend and express support for Louisiana's agricultural conservation partnerships on
3	their contribution to improved water quality, environmental health, and economic
4	productivity.
5	WHEREAS, the long-standing work of federal, state, local, and private programs in
6	agricultural conservation and management has made an important contribution to improving
7	water quality, environmental health, and economic productivity in Louisiana; and
8	WHEREAS, this work is carried out in Louisiana through the cooperative programs
9	of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Natural Resources Conservation Service,
0	the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, office of soil and water conservation,
1	and soil and water conservation districts; and
12	WHEREAS, these programs include the conservation programs in the United States
13	Farm Bill and landscape and basin scale initiatives; such as, the Mississippi River Basin
4	Healthy Watersheds Initiative, the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, and the Gulf
15	of Mexico Hypoxia Action Plan, working with multiple partners such as the Louisiana State
16	University Agricultural Center, the Gulf of Mexico Alliance, the Barataria-Terrebonne
17	National Estuary Program, as well as farmers, landowners, and producer associations; and
18	WHEREAS, the improvements in watersheds and waterways achieved by these
19	efforts across Louisiana, as well as in upstream states, are not only benefitting rivers,

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1 streams, lakes, and reservoirs but also the Gulf of Mexico and the state's coastal fishery and

2 seafood resources; and

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WHEREAS, these same programs can also deliver conservation benefits for efforts

to address concerns on climate, water supply, and wildlife habitat, repaying continued

5 investment in conservation with wide-ranging benefits.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

7 commend and support the important work being carried out by Louisiana's agricultural

conservation partnerships for cooperative conservation and management in the state,

including improved water quality, environmental health, and economic productivity, and

convey this support to Louisiana's governor, lieutenant governor, and congressional

delegation.

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