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## A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, April 12, 2022, as Acadiana Red and White Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, community and economic development leaders understand the crucial role of higher education institutions in improving economic competitiveness, workforce development, and quality of life in their region and state; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Planning Commission, the Lafayette Airport Commission, Lafayette Consolidated Government, the Lafayette Convention and Visitors Commission, Lafayette Economic Development Authority, One Acadiana, and the UL Lafayette Alumni Association are joining together to celebrate the momentous achievements of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, the University recently earned the distinction of being designated by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education as a Research 1 (R1) institution, a status held by only 146 higher education institutions, in the nation in recognition of its purposeful research mission and global impact; and

WHEREAS, Acadiana is proud to be home to the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Tuesday, April 12, 2022, as Acadiana Red and White Day at the state capitol, and proclaim the University of Louisiana at Lafayette an embodiment of academic and research excellence and an engine for social good of which every Louisiana citizen can be proud.