

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates April 12, 2022, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To designate Tuesday, April 12, 2022, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol.

3 WHEREAS, the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana, or CODOFIL,
4 was created in 1968 to oversee the development and expansion of the state's economic
5 development and tourism activities designed to promote Louisiana's native francophone
6 culture, heritage, and language; and

7 WHEREAS, the Louisiana brand is greatly enhanced by its French and Creole
8 culture, heritage, and languages; and

9 WHEREAS, to sustain this brand and promote future economic growth, Louisiana
10 should maintain a robust bilingual system and should continue to cultivate relationships with
11 its international partners, a list that includes France, Belgium, Quebec, and New Brunswick;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Louisiana is currently educating over five thousand five hundred
14 students in French immersion programs, and in so doing, is facilitating the development of
15 a bilingual workforce; and

16 WHEREAS, Louisiana is the first state in the union to be accepted into the
17 *Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie*, which is an organization of eighty-eight
18 French countries from around the world representing 300 million French speakers; and

19 WHEREAS, as Louisiana's state agency for francophone affairs, CODOFIL
20 continues to nurture and grow international partnerships, and these partnerships result in
21 economic growth for the state; and

1 WHEREAS, Louise Mushikiwabo, the secretary general of the *Organisation*
2 *Internationale de la Francophonie*, is conducting her first official visit to the great state of
3 Louisiana, and her visit begins on Sunday, April 10 and lasts until Thursday, April 14.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
5 designate Tuesday, April 12, 2022, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol and does hereby
6 commend the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana for its manifold
7 contributions to the culture and economy of Louisiana.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
9 executive director of CODOFIL; the lieutenant governor of Louisiana; and the president of
10 the CODOFIL board.

DIGEST

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