

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY SENATOR CATHEY

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Louisiana Sweet Potato Advertising and Development Commission on its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Sweet Potato Advertising and Development Commission on its  
3 seventieth anniversary.

4 WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana has recognized the sweet potato as the  
5 official state vegetable; and

6 WHEREAS, the first sweet potato commercial production in the state occurred in  
7 Sunset, Louisiana, in 1910; and

8 WHEREAS, according to the Louisiana State University (LSU) AgCenter's  
9 Agricultural Summary, there were over seven thousand one hundred acres of sweet potatoes  
10 farmed in the state in 2021 creating a total value of eighty-five million dollars, making it the  
11 largest vegetable crop grown in the state; and

12 WHEREAS, the LSU AgCenter Sweet Potato Research Station located in Northeast  
13 Louisiana is the only one of its kind in the country devoted solely to sweet potato research  
14 including the development of new varieties, which are some of the most popular in the  
15 world; and

16 WHEREAS, the Lamb Weston Sweet Potato Processing Plant located in Delhi,  
17 Louisiana, is the largest sweet potato french fry plant in America; and

18 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Sweet Potato Advertising and Development Commission

