

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY SENATOR SMITH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Madison Elizabeth Smith upon her reign as Queen of the 2022 Mystick Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith upon her reign as Queen of the 2022 Mystick
3 Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball.

4 WHEREAS, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball has its
5 origins among displaced Louisianians, known as the Louisiana State Society, living in our
6 nation's capital who wanted to bring the celebration to their new home in the late 1930s; and

7 WHEREAS, over the years, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans has welcomed
8 President Richard Nixon, Vice President Gerald Ford, Vice President Al Gore, and numerous
9 cabinet secretaries and ambassadors to its celebrations; and

10 WHEREAS, Society president C.J. Bourg and Lt. Col. Leonce Legendre of New
11 Orleans were the inspiration for the first Mardi Gras ball held in 1944, for these exiled
12 Louisianians living in Washington D.C.; and

13 WHEREAS, the first Washington Mardi Gras Ball queen was Mollie Gaumer, a
14 member of United States Senator John Overton's staff; and

15 WHEREAS, since 1944, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans has selected a queen to
16 reign over the krewe's festivities; and

17 WHEREAS, Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith was selected as queen by the krewe to
18 reign over the festivities in 2022; and

