## 2023 Regular Session

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

### BY REPRESENTATIVE HODGES

# SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates 2024 as the Year of the Bible

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To designate 2024 as the Year of the Bible.
3	WHEREAS, the Bible, the Word of God, has made a unique contribution in shaping
4	the United States as a distinctive and blessed nation and people; and
5	WHEREAS, deeply held religious convictions springing from the Holy Scriptures
6	led to the early settlement of our nation; and
7	WHEREAS, Biblical teachings inspired concepts of civil government that are
8	contained in our Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States; and
9	WHEREAS, among many of our great national leaders, presidents of both democratic
10	and republican parties, Washington, Lincoln, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Reagan, paid
11	tribute to the surpassing influence of the Bible in our country's development; just as in the
12	words of President Jackson, that the Bible is "the rock on which our Republic rests"; and
13	WHEREAS, the history of our nation clearly illustrates the value of voluntarily
14	applying the teachings of the Scriptures in the lives of individuals, families, and societies;
15	and
16	WHEREAS, this nation now faces great challenges that will test it as it has never
17	been tested before; and
18	WHEREAS, renewing our knowledge of and faith in God through Holy Scripture can
19	strengthen us as a nation and a people.
20	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
21	designate 2024 as the Year of the Bible in recognition of the formative influence the Bible

- 1 has been for our state and the nation and of the collective need to study and apply the
- 2 teachings of the Holy Scriptures.

#### DIGEST

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