2023 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53

BY REPRESENTATIVE WHEAT

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the members of the United States Armed Forces for their service and to proclaim May 2023 as Military Appreciation Month.

WHEREAS, the vigilance of the members of the U.S. Armed Forces has been instrumental to the preservation of the freedom, security, and prosperity enjoyed by the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Armed Forces are stationed around the world in more than one hundred fifty countries, protecting American lives and interests and being forever watchful to keep our citizens safe as they travel throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the success of the U.S. Armed Forces depends on the dedicated service of their members, their families, and the civilian employees of the Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, service in the U.S. Armed Forces entails special hazards and demands extraordinary sacrifices from service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, the events recognizing the many contributions of the U.S. Armed Forces are a tangible and highly effective way of sustaining morale, improving quality of life for service members and their families, and communicating to our service members our vast appreciation for their dedicated and selfless service; and

WHEREAS, the month of May, and in particular Memorial Day, observed this year on May 29, is traditionally dedicated as a time of honor and recognition of the service men and women of this nation's armed forces who have given their lives protecting the country's interests.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend all of the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces; does hereby recognize that their service and selfless sacrifices are vital to the future of the United States; and does hereby proclaim the month of May 2023 as Military Appreciation Month in honor of these brave Americans.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE