

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 129

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Tuesday, May 9, 2023, as Louisiana
Chemical Industry Day

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Tuesday, May 9, 2023, as Louisiana Chemical Industry Day.

3 WHEREAS, nature endowed Louisiana with gifts that provide the springboard for
4 major industry that has brought great benefits to the people of the state; and

5 WHEREAS, these gifts include abundant oil and natural gas, salt dome caverns,
6 sulfur deposits, fresh water, and access to the oceans of the world through the Calcasieu
7 Basin and the Mississippi River; and

8 WHEREAS, the petrochemical industry that has grown around these natural
9 amenities has become one of Louisiana's greatest assets; and

10 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry acknowledges that it depends on
11 Louisiana and its residents for its resources, a well-trained workforce, and a strong business
12 climate; and

13 WHEREAS, this industry provides the most direct jobs in Louisiana's manufacturing
14 sector, employing nearly twenty-seven thousand citizens in fifty-three of the state's
15 sixty-four parishes and tens of thousands more employees in hundreds of businesses that
16 support the industry; and

17 WHEREAS, an additional fourteen thousand jobs are generated indirectly by
18 chemical industry activity in the state; and

19 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry produces nearly fifty-eight billion
20 dollars in products annually, the third highest total in the nation; and

1 WHEREAS, Louisiana exports \$8.3 billion in chemical products annually to other
2 parts of the world; and

3 WHEREAS, chemical industry wages in Louisiana are forty-seven percent higher
4 than the average manufacturing wages in the state; and

5 WHEREAS, the industry contributes more than \$1.6 billion annually to the state and
6 local coffers through direct tax payments and through household earnings generated by the
7 Louisiana chemical industry; and

8 WHEREAS, more than \$8.9 billion of total direct employee earnings is generated by
9 local chemical companies; and

10 WHEREAS, Louisianians' lives are enhanced and improved every day by chemical
11 products produced in Louisiana, ranging from fire resistant foam used in beds and chairs;
12 to the nitrogen bags that give potato chips a longer shelf life; and golf clubs, hard hats, bullet
13 proof vests, contact lenses, pacemakers, and thousands of other consumer products; and

14 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry is more than just a group of companies
15 and is comprised of a collection of people who want the same things their neighbors want,
16 including safe and clean communities with vibrant neighborhoods, good schools, and a
17 strong economy; and

18 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry is essential to the state's economic
19 growth and to its economic development.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize the essential role the chemical industry plays
22 in Louisiana's economic development and proclaims Tuesday, May 9, 2023, as Louisiana
23 Chemical Industry Day.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
25 Louisiana Chemical Association.

DIGEST

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