

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

BY REPRESENTATIVES MINCEY, ADAMS, BACALA, BRYANT, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, DUBUISSON, EDMONDS, HODGES, IVEY, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, KNOX, MACK, MOORE, MUSCARELLO, PIERRE, AND STAGNI

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Veterans Affairs, in conjunction with the office of state buildings and in consultation with the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism's state historic preservation officer, to plan and implement, subject to the approval of the governor, the president of the Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives, a Purple Heart Trail in the Louisiana Veterans Memorial Park, located on the grounds surrounding the state capitol.

WHEREAS, the valor and sacrifice of soldiers have been an integral part of our nation's history since before we were a nation; General George Washington saw the need to recognize and encourage military merit in the Continental Army during the American Revolution; he selected a purple heart as the signifier of such merit; and

WHEREAS, through the decades and centuries, the use and significance of the Purple Heart award have evolved, but the merit it represents has never been in short supply in the hearts of America's military personnel; and

WHEREAS, in our own time among those outside of military service, the Purple Heart is probably the best known and most respected of all military honors; Americans are ever grateful for the battlefield sacrifices made by recipients of the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, commemoration and remembrance of Purple Heart recipients is always appropriate, and the addition of a Purple Heart Trail to the Louisiana Veterans Memorial Park at the state capitol is a fitting way to commemorate and remember.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Veterans Affairs, in conjunction with the office of state buildings and in consultation with the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism's state historic preservation officer, to plan and implement, subject to the approval of the governor, the president of the Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives, a Purple Heart Trail in the Louisiana Veterans Memorial Park, located on the grounds surrounding the state capitol.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE