

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 271

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Loyola University New Orleans for its history of academic excellence on the historic appointment of Dr. Xavier Cole as its president

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Loyola University New Orleans for its history of academic excellence upon  
3 the historic appointment of Dr. Xavier Cole as its president.

4 WHEREAS, Loyola University, a Jesuit and Catholic institution of higher education,  
5 was formed in 1912; and

6 WHEREAS, Loyola welcomes students of diverse backgrounds and prepares them  
7 to lead meaningful lives for others by teaching students to pursue truth, wisdom, and virtue;  
8 and to work for a more just world; and to find God in all things; and

9 WHEREAS, Loyola is dedicated to educating the whole person and teaching students  
10 to embody the Ignatian ideals of faith, truth, justice, and service, and;

11 WHEREAS, Loyola has an extensive list of highly accomplished alumni that  
12 includes Louisiana governors, Louisiana Supreme Court justices, United State District and  
13 Circuit court judges, and other high-ranking federal officials; and

14 WHEREAS, Loyola is continuously working to attract and keep the best and  
15 brightest students in Louisiana; and

16 WHEREAS, more than 24,000 Loyola alumni live in Louisiana, which is nearly half  
17 of Loyola's 50,000 living alumni; and

18 WHEREAS, in March 2023, Loyola made history and named Dr. Xavier Cole as its  
19 first African-American president and only the second lay president in Loyola's 111-year  
20 history; and

1           WHEREAS, Dr. Cole has committed to identify mission-aligned partnerships to  
2 strengthen Loyola while also meeting the local, state, and regional needs in the business  
3 community, education sector, and healthcare fields; and

4           WHEREAS, Loyola University is most deserving of the highest recognition for its  
5 incredible history of academic excellence, and the state of Louisiana is immensely proud to  
6 serve as the home of this inspiring institution.

7           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
8 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Loyola University New Orleans for its  
9 history of academic excellence upon the historic appointment of Dr. Xavier Cole as its  
10 president and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that both he and the university continue  
11 to provide students with a mission-driven educational experience that will allow students to  
12 fully contribute to our state.

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