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2023 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 199

BY SENATORS FIELDS, CONNICK AND FOIL

LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Declares "Callin' Baton Rouge" as performed by Garth Brooks as the Official Welcome Song of the LSU Fighting Tigers football team.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To declare "Callin' Baton Rouge" as performed by Garth Brooks as the Official Welcome
3	Song of the LSU Fighting Tigers football team.
4	WHEREAS, Garth Brooks remains the number one selling solo artist in United States
5	history certified by the Recording Industry Association of America; and
6	WHEREAS, Garth Brooks is a seven-time Country Music Association (CMA)
7	Entertainer of the Year Award recipient, has earned the esteemed Library of Congress
8	Gershwin Prize for Popular Song, and is an honoree of The John F. Kennedy Center for the
9	Performing Arts celebrating not only his talents as an artist, but also his successes as a
10	steward of this land throughout the generations; and
11	WHEREAS, Garth Brooks' repertoire of chart-topping music includes a song he
12	released in 1993, titled "Callin' Baton Rouge"; and
13	WHEREAS, that little up-tempo, bluegrass-sounding tune has become part of the
14	history, culture, and fabric of famed Tiger Stadium, home of the four-time World Champion
15	LSU Fighting Tigers; and
16	WHEREAS, on the evening of April 30, 2022, Garth Brooks played that little old
17	song to a record-breaking 102,000 adoring fans in Tiger Stadium, causing the seismic roar
18	that today is known as "Garthquake"; and

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WHEREAS, inside the LSU campus cathedral of football during the NCAA season,
the raucous crowd welcomes the boys in purple and gold with the unofficial anthem of the
LSU Tigers, "Callin' Baton Rouge"; and
WHEREAS, just as Garth Brooks asked the Tiger Stadium crowd on April 30, 2022,
"Is it time?", just before launching into his spirited version of "Callin' Baton Rouge", "It is
time" to declare Garth Brooks' version of "Callin' Baton Rouge" the Official Welcome Song
of the National Champion LSU Tigers.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
does hereby declare "Callin' Baton Rouge" as performed by the great Garth Brooks as the
Official Welcome Song of the LSU Fighting Tigers football team.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Celeste D. Ellis

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