

1 WHEREAS, the mission of the LMA is to educate and empower local governments
2 to serve the citizens of Louisiana efficiently and effectively, and to advocate on behalf of
3 municipal governments; and

4 WHEREAS, the LMA provides numerous programs and services to its member
5 municipalities, including conferences, training, webinars, legislative advocacy, and
6 information technology assistance; RMI-managed funds and liability programs including
7 liability indemnification, worker's compensation, and unemployment compensation; and
8 LaMATS-sponsored programs such as procurement services, delinquent property tax
9 collection, insurance premium tax collection, occupational license tax collection, and
10 consulting; and

11 WHEREAS, the LMA continues to promote local governments by shaping
12 legislation, providing education on municipal issues, and exchanging ideas and experiences
13 among elected officials throughout the state; and the LMA has partnered with the Police Jury
14 Association of Louisiana to establish the LITACorp. to further assist communities;
15 LITACorp. provides technical assistance to political subdivisions with competitive federal
16 grant opportunities and a matching-funds program specifically for local government entities
17 in rural and economically distressed communities; and

18 WHEREAS, the LMA executive board members include president, Jennifer Vidrine,
19 of Ville Platte; first vice president, Rick Allen, mayor of Leesville; second vice president,
20 Derrick Johnson, mayor of Cheneyville; immediate past president, Michael Chauffe, mayor
21 of Grosse Tete; and John Gallagher, executive director; and

22 WHEREAS, the LMA is celebrating ninety-seven years of advocacy, education, and
23 service; and

24 WHEREAS, on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, the LMA hosts its annual LMA
25 Municipal Day and legislative advocacy day at the Louisiana state capitol celebrating all
26 municipal officials and employees for their dedication to public service.

27 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
28 designate Wednesday, May 15, 2024, as LMA Municipal Day at the state capitol.

DIGEST

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