

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and honor the victims of Hurricane Katrina on the twentieth anniversary of its landfall and to designate August 29th as "Katrina Day" in remembrance of those affected by the storm.

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina struck Louisiana just after 6:00 a.m. on August 29, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the federally built levee system in New Orleans collapsed soon after, allowing the storm surge to inundate the region from the Gulf of Mexico and Lake Pontchartrain; and

WHEREAS, eighty percent of New Orleans was submerged underwater, forever reshaping the city and its communities; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina resulted in the deaths of one thousand thirty-three people, which is the fourth deadliest hurricane in United States history; and

WHEREAS, millions of people were displaced and left homeless, with more than one million housing units damaged or destroyed; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina remains the costliest hurricane on record in the United States, causing an estimated one hundred seventy billion dollars in total damages; and

WHEREAS, the storm had a profound and lasting impact on the region and its people, triggering one of the largest and most sudden population displacements in United States history; and

WHEREAS, approximately twelve million Louisianians were forced to relocate for months or even years, and with thousands never returning to their homes; and

WHEREAS, nearly two decades since Hurricane Katrina made landfall, the people of Louisiana have rebuilt their communities, yet the memories and lessons of the storm endure as a testament to resilience and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to formally recognize August 29th as "Katrina Day" to honor the memory of those lost, acknowledge the struggles of survivors, and reflect on the ongoing efforts to rebuild and strengthen our communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and honor the victims of Hurricane Katrina on the twentieth anniversary of its landing and does hereby designate August 29th as "Katrina Day" in remembrance of those affected by the storm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the mayor of New Orleans, LaToya Cantrell.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE