

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 65

BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates April 23, 2025, as Louisiana Counseling Association Day at the state capitol and commends the members of the Louisiana Counseling Association

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Counseling Association and to recognize Wednesday, April 23,
3 2025, as Louisiana Counseling Association Day at the state capitol.

4 WHEREAS, approximately one in four adults in the United States experiences a
5 diagnosable mental disorder in a given year; and

6 WHEREAS, significant percentages of America's homeless population, prisoners,
7 and youth in juvenile justice systems live with a serious mental illness; and

8 WHEREAS, in order to help meet the demand for more effective mental health
9 services, the Louisiana Counseling Association (LCA) was chartered in 1968 as a state brand
10 of the American Counseling Association; and

11 WHEREAS, the LCA encompasses a broad spectrum of groups in the field of
12 professional counseling, and, for its members, provides an opportunity to share information
13 and grow professionally; and

14 WHEREAS, the LCA is a professional association that represents the many
15 professional counselors in various work settings, including licensed professional counselors
16 (LPCs), licensed marriage and family therapists (LMFTs), school counselors, college
17 counselors, college educators, substance abuse counselors, career counselors, college
18 educators, substance abuse counselors, career counselors, multicultural counselors, and
19 religious counselors; and

1 WHEREAS, the purposes of the LCA include to organize, administer, and manage
2 the structure of the organization so that it can more effectively fulfill its mission; to promote
3 personal and professional development within the counseling profession; to promote
4 professionalism within the counseling profession; to support public policy and legislation
5 which enhances the counseling profession; and to promote the creation of knowledge and
6 the dissemination of research within the counseling profession; and

7 WHEREAS, the LCA has six thousand three hundred seventy-six member counselors
8 across the state of Louisiana; and

9 WHEREAS, because the men and women of the LCA have made a significant and
10 positive influence in LCA standing committees throughout the state, the members of the
11 association merit a special measure of commendation.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the members of the Louisiana Counseling
14 Association for their unwavering commitment to excellence in serving the citizens of
15 Louisiana and does hereby designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as Louisiana Counseling
16 Association Day at the state capitol.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
18 president of the Louisiana Counseling Association.

DIGEST

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