

Regular Session, 2013

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 117

BY SENATOR MORRELL

LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Commends Tulane University and designates May 21, 2013, as Tulane University Day at the Senate.

A RESOLUTION

To commend Tulane University for the work and research it does in critical areas such as bioenvironmental, cancer research, women's issues, and for its contributions to the state of Louisiana and to designate Tuesday, May 21, 2013, as Tulane University Day.

WHEREAS, founded in 1834, Tulane University is one of the most highly regarded and selective independent research universities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Tulane traces its origins to the Medical College of Louisiana, founded in 1834 by seven young doctors as the Deep South's second-oldest medical school, which by 1847 was part of the newly established public institution, the University of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Tulane is the nation's only university with a School of Medicine, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, and a National Institutes of Health-funded National Primate Center; and

WHEREAS, Tulane University has provided medical care for tens of thousands of patients at Charity Hospital and educated thousands of future physicians through medical student training and residency programs at Charity and University hospitals; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2006, Tulane became the first research university in the nation to have a public service requirement for all undergraduates; and

1 WHEREAS, Tulane has been named by the Corporation for National and
2 Community Service to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for
3 an unprecedented seven consecutive years; and

4 WHEREAS, Tulane students have contributed four hundred eighty thousand service
5 hours to programs in New Orleans; and

6 WHEREAS, the Cowen Institute for Public Education Initiative's AdvanceNOLA
7 program has more than doubled the number of students taking Advanced Placement math,
8 science, and English courses in high schools with five hundred students enrolled in 2013;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, twenty-five percent of African American students in Louisiana taking
11 Advanced Placement tests in 2012 are participants in Tulane's AdvanceNOLA program; and

12 WHEREAS, Tulane is New Orleans' largest private employer and a major economic
13 driver in the region, accounting for approximately nine hundred twenty million dollars in
14 annual economic activity and directly and indirectly creating ten thousand six hundred jobs
15 throughout Louisiana; and

16 WHEREAS, the new Yulman Stadium will return college football to campus after
17 a thirty-year absence, and it will be a point of pride and economic stimulus for New Orleans
18 and give the Green Wave a true home field advantage; and

19 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to set aside a special day in celebration of Tulane
20 University.

21 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
22 does hereby commend Tulane University for a tradition of academic excellence and does
23 hereby designate Tuesday, May 21, 2013, as Tulane University Day at the Louisiana Senate.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
25 president of Tulane University.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cathy Wells.

DIGEST

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