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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 131

BY REPRESENTATIVE WESLEY BISHOP

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To establish and recognize the Legislative TRIO Caucus of the Legislature of Louisiana and to provide relative to the caucus.

WHEREAS, the federal TRIO programs consist of eight programs designed to improve access to higher education for low-income students, students with disabilities, and first-generation college students and to serve students from middle school through post-graduate study; and

WHEREAS, these programs provide academic tutoring, personal counseling, mentoring, financial guidance, and other support necessary for educational access and retention for students and training programs for TRIO directors and staff; and

WHEREAS, legislators who are supportive of the federal TRIO programs and higher education access for low-income students, students with disabilities, and first-generation college students desire recognition as an official caucus of the Legislature of Louisiana to bestow additional significance upon their actions and opinions on legislation, actions, and issues concerning these matters.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby establish and recognize the Legislative TRIO Caucus of the Legislature of Louisiana and the purpose of the caucus shall be to be supportive of the federal TRIO programs and higher education access for low-income students, students with disabilities, and first-generation college students and to speak for these programs in Louisiana's political arena.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative TRIO Caucus of the Legislature of Louisiana shall be comprised of all members of the Legislature of Louisiana who have indicated support of the TRIO programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial co-chairmen of the caucus shall be the Honorable Wesley Bishop and the Honorable Patrick Jefferson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative TRIO Caucus of the Legislature of Louisiana shall not be provided any funding, office space, equipment, or staff by the legislature or either house or any agency thereof.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE