

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 173

BY REPRESENTATIVE WESLEY BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To commend the students, faculty, staff, and administration of Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) on the establishment of a bachelor of science degree program in forensic science beginning in the Fall 2013 semester.

WHEREAS, SUNO primarily serves the educational and cultural needs of the Greater New Orleans metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, SUNO offers successful bachelor of science and master of science programs in criminal justice; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that job growth in forensic science is predicted to be near twenty percent over the next six years; and

WHEREAS, after earning approval from the Louisiana Board of Regents, SUNO proudly announces the introduction of a 120-credit-hour bachelor of science in forensic science program; and

WHEREAS, the program will be housed in the Department of Natural Sciences within the College of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, SUNO will be seeking accreditation for the program with the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission; and

WHEREAS, SUNO Chancellor, Victor Ukpolo, stated that "This will be the only undergraduate program in forensic science in the state of Louisiana, and with the increasing demand for qualified individuals in this field, SUNO and its graduates are poised to have a great impact on criminal justice in this region."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the students, faculty, staff, and administration of Southern University at New Orleans on the establishment of a bachelor of science degree program in forensic science beginning in the Fall 2013 semester.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the chancellor of SUNO.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES