

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 126

BY SENATORS MORRELL, APPEL, CROWE, HEITMEIER, MURRAY AND
PETERSON

SENATE. Proclaims Tuesday, May 13, 2014, as New Orleans Day.

A RESOLUTION

To proclaim Tuesday, May 13, 2014, as New Orleans Day and to observe this special day
by "Celebrating the Crescent City".

WHEREAS, Louisiana is both nationally and internationally recognized as perhaps
the most unique state in the nation due to its variety of awe-inspiring natural and cultural
attractions and significant historical sites, and New Orleans plays a vital role in the
authenticity that Louisiana enjoys; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1718, New Orleans integrates two hundred ninety-six years
of vibrant history into its identity, and the Crescent City is worthy of its distinction as a
gateway to one of America's most unusual states, a state that holds a diverse cultural heritage
and singular historical legacy; and

WHEREAS, the city of New Orleans ranks fifth among popular travel destinations
in the USA and draws visitors from every corner of the world; and

WHEREAS, its international prominence and growth in global trade markets make
New Orleans one of America's largest port facilities and fastest growing aviation hubs; and

WHEREAS, Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport has recently been
named the fastest expanding aviation complex in the nation and has been recognized as an
essential element in the city's economy; and

1 WHEREAS, while extolling the city's extraordinary history, New Orleans is also
2 known as a modern urban center and is home to dynamic and diverse economic interests,
3 such as aerospace industries, petroleum interests, shipbuilding, manufacturing, music and
4 film production, telecommunications, the visual and performing arts, financial institutions,
5 and medical care and scientific research facilities; and

6 WHEREAS, more than nine million travelers visit the city annually, contributing to
7 its economic prosperity by frequenting renowned restaurants, elegant hotels, fashionable
8 boutiques, and a wealth of entertainment locales; and

9 WHEREAS, the city's festival calendar attracts vast numbers of tourists every month
10 to include one-half million for the Jazz and Heritage Festival, over one-half million for the
11 French Quarter Festival, and one million for Mardi Gras' carnival season; and

12 WHEREAS, New Orleans offers a bevy of cultural treasures for every taste, such as
13 the National D-Day Museum, the New Orleans Museum of Art, the Contemporary Arts
14 Center, the Audubon Nature Institute, and the New Orleans Jazz Orchestra; and

15 WHEREAS, immersed within the city are all manner of artistic venues, that comprise
16 countless French Quarter and Warehouse District art galleries that showcase the works of
17 national and local artists in diverse palettes, plays and Broadway musicals that grace the
18 stage of the recently remodeled Saenger Theater, and renowned musicians and talented
19 entertainers whose performances are readily available everywhere, both in club scenes and
20 on street corners; and

21 WHEREAS, it is this rich assemblage of individuals from many distinct backgrounds
22 that contributes to the wonderful "gumbo" of sights, sounds, delightful tastes, and heavenly
23 smells that make New Orleans the rarity that it is today.

24 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
25 does hereby proclaim Tuesday, May 13, 2014, as New Orleans Day and does hereby declare
26 that this special day shall be observed as "Celebrating the Crescent City" in recognition of
27 the unique history and culture that is only New Orleans.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
29 Honorable Bobby Jindal, governor of the state of Louisiana, and the
30 Honorable Mitchell J. Landrieu, mayor of New Orleans.

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

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