

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, ARNOLD, LEOPOLD, AND MORENO AND
SENATORS APPEL, MURRAY, AND PETERSON

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Wednesday, April 29, 2015, as New Orleans
Day at the legislature

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To designate Wednesday, April 29, 2015, as New Orleans Day at the Louisiana Legislature,

3 to commend the city of New Orleans, and to provide suitable observance of this

4 special day.

5 WHEREAS, Louisiana is nationally and internationally recognized as perhaps the

6 most unique state in the nation because of its amazing variety of major natural and cultural

7 attractions and significant historical sites, and New Orleans plays a vital role in the

8 distinction that Louisiana enjoys; and

9 WHEREAS, New Orleans, founded in 1718, integrates into its identity two hundred

10 ninety-seven years of rich history, and is worthy of recognition for serving as a gateway to

11 one of America's most unusual states with a diverse cultural heritage and singular historical

12 legacy; and

13 WHEREAS, the city of New Orleans ranks as the eighth most popular travel

14 destination in the nation, drawing visitors from all over the world; and

15 WHEREAS, the legislature celebrates the world prominence of the city of New

16 Orleans as home to one of America's largest ports and most affordable airports; and

17 WHEREAS, the legislature celebrates Louis Armstrong New Orleans International

18 Airport, which is setting new records for passengers served, and recognizes its key role in

19 bolstering the city's economy; and

1 WHEREAS, New Orleans, while celebrating its extraordinary history, is also a
2 dynamic and modern city and is home to diverse industries including tourism, aerospace, oil
3 and gas, shipbuilding, manufacturing, telecommunications, film, music, the visual,
4 performing, and design arts, financial institutions; and facilities for scientific and medical
5 research; and

6 WHEREAS, through such diverse economic activity, the city of New Orleans
7 generates a substantial amount of tax dollars for the state treasury; and

8 WHEREAS, more than nine million people visit the city annually, contributing to its
9 economic prosperity, to patronize celebrated restaurants, elegant hotels, fabulous retail
10 shops, and a wealth of entertainment venues; and

11 WHEREAS, New Orleans' great festivals attract visitors, including almost one-half
12 million for Jazz Fest, over one-half million for French Quarter Fest, and nearly one million
13 for Mardi Gras; and

14 WHEREAS, New Orleans offers a bevy of cultural treasures, such as the National
15 WWII Museum, the New Orleans Museum of Art, the Contemporary Arts Center, the New
16 Orleans Jazz Orchestra, Audubon Nature Institute, and the world-renowned musicians and
17 entertainers that call New Orleans home; and

18 WHEREAS, New Orleans proudly offers countless galleries for international and
19 local art clustered in and around the French Quarter and the nearby Warehouse District, and
20 a beautiful venue for the performing arts and Broadway musicals at the recently remodeled
21 Saenger Theatre; and

22 WHEREAS, it is the people of many cultural backgrounds that have contributed to
23 the wonderful mixture of sights, sounds, smells, and tastes that makes New Orleans the
24 remarkably distinctive place it is today.

25 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
26 designate Wednesday, April 29, 2015, as New Orleans Day at the Louisiana Legislature and
27 does hereby commend the city of New Orleans and provides that this special day shall be
28 observed with appropriate recognition of the unique history and culture of the Crescent City.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
2 to the Honorable Bobby Jindal, governor of the state of Louisiana, and the Honorable
3 Mitchell J. Landrieu, mayor of the city of New Orleans.

DIGEST

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