

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATOR NEVERS

A RESOLUTION

To designate May 20, 2015, as "LouisianaChildren.org Day" at the Louisiana State Capitol and to recognize the efforts of LouisianaChildren.org in striving to give every child in Louisiana the opportunity to thrive.

WHEREAS, the mission of LouisianaChildren.org is to provide community-supported solutions that build hope and promise for Louisiana's children and families by supporting evidence-based programs and services for vulnerable families; and

WHEREAS, the goal of LouisianaChildren.org is that every child in Louisiana has the opportunity to thrive; and

WHEREAS, LouisianaChildren.org believes that the best way to achieve that goal is through community programs and involvement of individual citizens; and

WHEREAS, LouisianaChildren.org serves as the umbrella association for Children's Advocacy Centers of Louisiana and for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, LouisianaChildren.org supports Children's Advocacy Centers of Louisiana in ensuring that every child victim referred to a Children's Advocacy Center has a comfortable, child-friendly environment for interviews and other services, in order to reduce further trauma to the child and focus on beginning the child's journey towards hope and healing; and

WHEREAS, LouisianaChildren.org supports Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) by assisting CASA volunteers in helping to secure safe and permanent homes for abused and neglected children by investigating and monitoring cases involving children in foster care; and

WHEREAS, LouisianaChildren.org supports thirty-three member programs in all sixty-four parishes in Louisiana, serving more than 11,000 children every year, and reaching more than 25,000 families and professionals in this state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate May 20, 2015, as "LouisianaChildren.org Day" at the Louisiana State Capitol, and does hereby recognize the efforts of LouisianaChildren.org in striving to give every child in Louisiana the opportunity to thrive through providing community-supported solutions that build hope and promise for Louisiana's children and families and supporting evidence-based programs and services for vulnerable families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the President and Chief Executive Officer of LouisianaChildren.org.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE