### 2016 Regular Session

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

### BY REPRESENTATIVE PUGH

# SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Tuesday, April 5, 2016, as Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival Day

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To designate Tuesday, April 5, 2016, as Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival Day in the state
3	of Louisiana.
4	WHEREAS, the forty-fifth annual Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival will be held April
5	8 through 10, 2016, in Memorial Park in historic and beautiful Ponchatoula; and
6	WHEREAS, for over forty years, the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival has been
7	attracting both young and old to its annual celebration of Ponchatoula's legendary delicacy;
8	and
9	WHEREAS, the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival was organized in 1971, and the
10	first festival was held in April of 1972; and
11	WHEREAS, the first Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival was cosponsored by the
12	Ponchatoula Jaycees and the Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce, both of which provided
13	three members to serve on the festival board; and
14	WHEREAS, the intent of this committee was to host a festival that not only provided
15	an opportunity for local charitable organizations to raise money for their clubs, but also to
16	honor all of the hardworking local strawberry farmers and to promote their industry; and
17	WHEREAS, the committee and many other interested volunteers worked diligently
18	for months planning the first festival; and
19	WHEREAS, for more than forty years, the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival has
20	provided a venue as the largest fundraiser for nonprofit and charitable organizations; and

- 1 WHEREAS, the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival prides itself as being one of the
- 2 only festivals in which nonprofit organizations are the only vendors on the official festival
- 3 grounds.
- 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
- 5 designate Tuesday, April 5, 2016, as Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival Day in the state of
- 6 Louisiana and does hereby recognize the wonderful festivities of this exceptional festival.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 8 2016 Chairman of the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival, David Atkins.

## DIGEST

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