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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 39

BY REPRESENTATIVE MORENO

A RESOLUTION

To commend LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans' School of Allied Health Professions, Human Development Center for its role in administering, fostering, and nurturing projects and programs focused on areas of need for individuals with or at risk of having disabilities and their families.

WHEREAS, the Human Development Center (HDC) was established in 1974 and became a University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Education, Research, and Service (UCEDD) in 1984; and

WHEREAS, since 1963, UCEDDs have been working to accomplish their vision of a nation in which all Americans, including those with disabilities, participate fully in their communities; and

WHEREAS, centers are housed in major research universities, such as the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans, and translate the best scientifically-validated practices into broad-based, high-quality community practices; and

WHEREAS, there is a network of sixty-seven UCEDDs, with one in every state and U.S. territory; and

WHEREAS, the HDC oversees a variety of projects, including the Early Head Start Partnership, which provides childcare services to low-income families; the Louisiana Autism Spectrum and Related Disabilities Project, which provides training, technical assistance, and coaching to educators who service children and youth with autism spectrum and related disorders; and assistive technology diagnostic and treatment clinics; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the Human Development Center has provided direct services to more than twenty-three thousand individuals, more than one hundred twenty

thousand instances of technical assistance and community training to professionals in health and education fields, and long-term interdisciplinary and leadership training to more than two hundred professionals in health and education fields.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Human Development Center of the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans' School of Allied Health Professions for advancing education, training, and direct services in support of Louisiana's population with disabilities and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitable copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the director of the Human Development Center, and to the dean of the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans' School of Allied Health Professions.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES