

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEOPOLD

A RESOLUTION

To commend the organizers and volunteers of the 2017 Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival, Orange Queen Nadia Mateja Cognevich, and Teen Orange Queen Catherine Wooton.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the organizers and volunteers of the Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival, held annually in December in Buras, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it was in 1947 that the citizens of Plaquemines Parish organized the first Plaquemines Parish Orange Festival to promote the cultivation and marketing of the parish's citrus crop; and

WHEREAS, renamed the Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival in 1955, this unique event has long been a beloved tradition for the people of Plaquemines Parish and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival is a family-friendly celebration featuring the parish's signature food, entertainment, contests, crafts, novelties, and hospitality; and

WHEREAS, Nadia Mateja Cognevich, a young woman of many gifts and talents, reigns as the current Orange Queen with great distinction and dedication, Catherine Wooton reigns as the current Teen Orange Queen; and

WHEREAS, the organizers and volunteers of the Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival have persevered through numerous freezes and hurricanes, earning the respect, admiration, and enduring appreciation of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the organizers and volunteers of the 2017 Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival merit a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for the tremendous pride and honor that this wonderful annual event brings to the citizens of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the organizers and volunteers of the 2017 Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival, Orange Queen Nadia Mateja Cognevich, and Teen Orange Queen Catherine Wooton and does hereby recognize this extraordinary fair and festival as an integral part of the culture and history of Plaquemines Parish and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the 2017 Plaquemines Parish Fair and Orange Festival.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES