

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, May 9, 2017, as Kingsley House Day at the legislature.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Kingsley House and to designate Tuesday, May 9, 2017, as Kingsley House Day; and

WHEREAS, Kingsley House, founded in 1896, serves individuals of all ages and offers services to reduce, alleviate, and eventually eradicate poverty throughout the greater New Orleans area; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Kingsley House is to educate children, strengthen families, and build communities; and

WHEREAS, Kingsley House launched the very first kindergarten and summer school programs in the state and has promoted early childhood development and education in the form of the Head Start and Early Head Start preschool services, Educare New Orleans, and the Parents as Educators program; and

WHEREAS, a youth services department provides Summer Camp programming for children ages five to twelve; this program promotes psychosocial skills, creative arts, success, and respect for others while offering tutoring, mentoring, and drug abuse and violence prevention activities; and

WHEREAS, Kingsley House Community Counseling Center Services offers various programs geared towards mental health counseling and therapy, and the Adult Services Program provides assistance to vulnerable senior citizens and medically fragile adults; and

WHEREAS, the Community and Supportive Services Program offers comprehensive, community-based services that connect individuals and families to community network supports that encourage personal growth, enhance knowledge, increase awareness, promote self-sufficiency, and support the overall well-being of the individual, the family, and ultimately the community; and

WHEREAS, Kingsley House merits special recognition for providing community services for over one hundred twenty-one years and for making a significant impact on the lives of the thousands of children and families that it serves annually.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, May 9, 2017, as Kingsley House Day at the legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Keith Liederman, Ph.D., chief executive officer of Kingsley House.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE