BY SENATOR BARROW

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association (BRDNA) on celebrating their one hundredth anniversary.

WHEREAS, the BRDNA was organized in 1918 in response to the Great Influenza Epidemic with the goals of prohibiting unqualified nurses from working in the Baton Rouge community and for standardizing the cost of private duty nursing services; and

WHEREAS, the official charter was signed by twenty graduate nurses on the eighth day of December 1919; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the BRDNA remain steadfast to those established by their founders and early nursing champions; and

WHEREAS, members of BRDNA focus on keeping their goals of the high standard set forth by their founder of modern nursing – Florence Nightingale; and

WHEREAS, BRDNA serves the Capital Region parishes composed of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, and St. Helena; and

WHEREAS, the district strives to foster high standards of nursing and availability of healthcare for Louisiana citizens and to promote the professional development and image of nursing; and

WHEREAS, BRDNA is an affiliate professional nursing organization of the Louisiana State Nurses Association and the American Nurses Association.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association (BRDNA) on celebrating their one hundredth anniversary and recognize them for their important contributions to the profession of nursing and healthcare in the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby proclaim 2018 as the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association year in Louisiana.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ms. Mary Dudley, President of the District, and Ms. Lisa M. Deaton, President Elect of the Baton Rouge District Nurses Association.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE