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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 183

BY REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Orleans Parish School Board and the Recovery School District to collaboratively establish a comprehensive training manual and provide for annual mandatory training for school bus operators.

WHEREAS, New Orleans residents have been submitting complaints to elected officials relative to school buses in residential areas being a public nuisance and safety concern; and

WHEREAS, local residents have complained that school buses parked in residential areas block public rights-of-way and have also expressed concern that school buses sometimes speed through residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, other complaints include that school buses parked on two-lane neighborhood streets block one lane, creating a blind spot where drivers on the street cannot see other drivers approaching, and that school buses parked across sidewalks obstruct public easement, causing pedestrians to walk into the street where there is oncoming traffic.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Orleans Parish School Board and the Recovery School District to collaboratively establish a comprehensive training manual and provide for annual mandatory training for school bus operators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in establishing the manual and providing for the training, the following factors shall be considered:

- (1) Establishing consistent and quarterly assessment of driver safety and protocols.
- (2) Establishing operational safety, public safety, and hazard safety standards.
- (3) Establishing a uniform phone number as a complaint line for the reporting of

careless operation of a vehicle, reckless driving, and other complaints relative to school bus operation.

(4) Any other training and oversight issues that the parties deem appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the Orleans Parish School Board and the superintendent of the Recovery School District.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES