

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 133

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes May 10, 2019, as Child Care Provider  
Appreciation Day in the state

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Friday, May 10, 2019, as Child Care Provider Day in the state of Louisiana.

3 WHEREAS, it is estimated that nearly 11 million children under age five are cared  
4 for by 2.8 million child care providers in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, the Child Care Association of Louisiana is a statewide, nonprofit  
6 organization that represents the interests of licensed childcare providers and the children  
7 they serve; and

8 WHEREAS, the mission of the Child Care Association is to educate, advocate, and  
9 collaborate to build a premier and proactive childcare industry for Louisiana families; and

10 WHEREAS, by calling attention to the importance of high quality child care services  
11 for all children and families within the state, the Child Care Association of Louisiana and  
12 other advocacy organizations hope to improve the quality and availability of such services;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, our future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences  
15 provided to our children; and

16 WHEREAS, providing high quality early childcare services represents a worthy  
17 commitment to our children's futures; and

18 WHEREAS, in the words of Jonathon Pearce, the president of the Child Care  
19 Association of Louisiana: "Every child should have access to a high quality early childhood  
20 educational program and be prepared to enter kindergarten ready to learn"; and

1 WHEREAS, the Second Sunday in May has long been recognized as the day to honor  
2 mothers for their commitment to children; and

3 WHEREAS, May 10, 2019, the Friday before Mother's Day, has been nationally  
4 designated as Child Care Appreciation Day; Child Care Provider Appreciation Day began  
5 in 1996, when a group of volunteers in New Jersey saw the need to recognize the tireless  
6 efforts of providers who care for the children of working parents; and

7 WHEREAS, Child Care Appreciation Day is a day set aside to recognize child care  
8 providers, teachers, child care directors and staff, and all those who work with children and  
9 are responsible for their education and care; and

10 WHEREAS, momentum and support for this event have grown each year as both  
11 individuals and government organizations throughout North America, Europe, and Asia are  
12 recognized for their dedication in providing care to children.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
14 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Friday, May 10, 2019, as Child Care  
15 Provider Appreciation Day in the state of Louisiana and does hereby urge all citizens of our  
16 great state to recognize licensed childcare providers for their important work.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
18 Jonathon Pearce, president of the Child Care Association of Louisiana, and Cindy Bishop,  
19 executive director of the Child Care Association of Louisiana.

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#### DIGEST

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