



1           WHEREAS, post-traumatic stress injury (PTSI) is a common injury to the brain that  
2 is treatable and repairable; and

3           WHEREAS, PTSI can occur as a result of severely traumatic events including,  
4 without limitation, interpersonal violence, combat, life-threatening accidents, and natural  
5 disasters; and

6           WHEREAS, destigmatizing PTSI and honoring the bravery of persons recovering  
7 from this injury can favorably influence those affected and encourage them to seek help  
8 without fear of retribution or shame; and

9           WHEREAS, all citizens suffering from PTSI deserve our compassion and  
10 consideration, and those who have received their wounds in action against an enemy of the  
11 United States further deserve our tribute and recognition; and

12           WHEREAS, proper and timely treatment can improve health outcomes and diminish  
13 rates of suicide among people with PTSI.

14           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
15 recognize the month of June 2020 as Post-traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Month and  
16 does hereby recognize Saturday, June 27, 2020, as Post-traumatic Stress Injury Awareness  
17 Day in Louisiana.

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature does hereby urge the Louisiana  
19 Department of Health and the Department of Veterans Affairs to increase efforts to educate  
20 survivors of interpersonal violence, combat, life-threatening accidents, and natural disasters,  
21 veterans and their families, and the general public about the causes, symptoms, and  
22 treatments of post-traumatic stress injury.

23           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
24 governor of Louisiana and the secretary of state.

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DIGEST

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