

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY SENATOR PETERSON AND REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, May 5, 2021, as Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA) Municipal Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

WHEREAS, the LMA was founded in 1926 as a nonprofit 501(c)4 organization serving as a unified voice for Louisiana's municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the LMA is a statewide member organization that advocates on behalf of three hundred three municipalities and two parishes; and

WHEREAS, the LMA wholly owns two subsidiaries - Risk Management, Inc. (RMI) and Louisiana Municipal Advisory and Technical Services Bureau (LaMATS); provides administrative management services for the Louisiana Municipal Gas Authority, Louisiana Recreation and Park Association, Louisiana City Attorneys Association, Louisiana Municipal Clerks Association, and the Building Officials Association of Louisiana; and has multiple affiliate and advisory partners including the Louisiana Community Development Authority, the Louisiana Association of Tax Administrators, the Louisiana Association of Municipal Secretaries and Assistants, Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, the Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association, the Louisiana Airport Managers and Associates, the Louisiana Conference of Mayors, the Louisiana Municipal Black Caucus Association, and Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the LMA is to educate and empower local governments to serve the citizens of Louisiana efficiently and effectively, and to advocate on behalf of municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the LMA provides numerous programs and services to its member municipalities including conferences, training, webinars, legislative advocacy, and information technology assistance; RMI-managed funds and liability programs including liability indemnification, worker's compensation, and unemployment compensation;

LaMATS-sponsored programs such as procurement services, delinquent property tax collection, insurance premium tax collection, occupational license tax collection, and consulting; and

WHEREAS, the LMA continues to promote local governments by shaping legislation, providing education on municipal issues, and exchanging ideas and experiences among elected officials throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 LMA executive board members include President Jimmy Williams, Mayor of Sibley; First Vice President Michael Chauffe, Mayor of Grosse Tete; and Second Vice President Jennifer Vidrine, Mayor of Ville Platte; and

WHEREAS, the LMA is celebrating ninety-five years of advocacy, education, and service; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, the LMA hosts its annual LMA Municipal Day and legislative advocacy at the Louisiana State Capitol celebrating all municipal officials and employees for their dedication to public service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, May 5, 2021, as the Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA) Municipal Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES