

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 40

BY REPRESENTATIVES JEFFERSON, FREEMAN, AND WRIGHT

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes April 7, 2022, as Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Thursday, April 7, 2022, as Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges
3 and Universities Day at the state capitol.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, or
5 LAICU, is comprised of the ten private nonprofit colleges and universities in Louisiana; and

6 WHEREAS, the colleges that comprise LAICU are Centenary College of Louisiana,
7 Dillard University, Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University, Louisiana Christian
8 University, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary,
9 Saint Joseph Seminary College, Tulane University, University of Holy Cross, and Xavier
10 University of Louisiana; and

11 WHEREAS, LAICU colleges and universities are a vital part of the higher education
12 ecosystem in Louisiana, and their contributions impact the growth and trajectory of the state,
13 region, and nation; and

14 WHEREAS, as anchors for their communities, LAICU institutions employ nearly
15 9,000 people and contribute to the state's economic growth by generating over \$1.3 billion
16 in revenue; and

17 WHEREAS, LAICU colleges and universities attract out-of-state students to the state
18 and often retain that talent in the state after graduation; LAICU alumni generate \$630 million
19 in total added income to the Louisiana economy; and

20 WHEREAS, as a vital part of the talent development pipeline in the state, LAICU
21 schools enroll over 28,000 students a year and graduate twenty percent of all students

1 earning bachelors degrees in Louisiana, including twenty-one percent of science, technology,
2 engineering, and mathematics degrees, twenty-one percent of health profession degrees,
3 nineteen percent of business degrees, and seven percent of education degrees; and

4 WHEREAS, as significant contributors to the workforce agenda in the state, LAICU
5 colleges and universities partner with business and industry, economic development
6 organizations, the Board of Regents, Louisiana's public universities, and Louisiana technical
7 and community colleges to develop pathways to prosperity for all Louisianians; and

8 WHEREAS, LAICU institutions are mission-driven and remain committed to
9 creating access and opportunity for students to afford and graduate from college; indeed,
10 thirty-eight percent of students at LAICU institutions are Pell recipients and over 3,600
11 receive Taylor Opportunity Program for Students awards; and

12 WHEREAS, LAICU colleges and universities are varied and represent faith-based
13 institutions, research universities, historically black colleges and universities, and small
14 liberal arts colleges; this diversity of intuition types adds to the richness and complexity of
15 higher education offerings in the state; and

16 WHEREAS, LAICU colleges and universities will continue to collaborate, initiate,
17 and enthusiastically respond to opportunities to address the challenges that Louisianians
18 face, and they remain committed to partnering to arrive at solutions that will position
19 Louisiana to make a greater impact on its citizens, this region, and the nation and world.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Thursday, April 7, 2022, as Louisiana
22 Association of Independent Colleges and Universities Day at the state capitol.

DIGEST

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