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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

A RESOLUTION

To commend Tulane University for its history of academic excellence.

WHEREAS, Tulane University is the ninth-oldest private university in the Association of American Universities; additionally, Tulane University Law School is the nation's twelfth-oldest law school, and Tulane University Medical School is the nation's fifteenth-oldest medical school; and

WHEREAS, Tulane has an extensive list of highly accomplished alumni that includes twelve Louisiana governors, one chief justice of the United States Supreme Court, several members of Congress, and two surgeons general of the United States; there have also been two Nobel laureates affiliated with the university; and

WHEREAS, Tulane is a leading research university; in fiscal year 2021, it brought in \$200 million in external research funds; Tulane National Primate Research Center in Covington, Louisiana, is one of only seven federally funded National Primate Research Centers in the country; and

WHEREAS, Tulane is continuously working to keep the best and brightest students in Louisiana with initiatives such as the Legislative Scholars Program; last year, the university introduced the Louisiana Promise Program; under this program, the university will meet the full financial need, without the use of loans, for its Louisiana students whose families make less than \$100,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, forty percent of Tulane graduates stayed in Louisiana for at least the first three years after graduation; the university's new innovation institute will help keep startups in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Tulane is also an economic driver in Louisiana; the university's annual economic impact to the state economy is \$2.3 billion; it also directly employs eight thousand people and indirectly supports an additional 5,310 jobs; and

WHEREAS, Tulane will be the anchor tenant in the redevelopment of Charity Hospital in New Orleans; the project will bring the historic building back into commerce for the first time since Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, Tulane University is most deserving of the highest recognition for its incredible history of academic excellence, and the state of Louisiana is immensely proud to serve as the home of this inspiring institution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Tulane University for its history of academic excellence and does hereby extend sincere wishes that the university continue its excellent work and continue to provide students with an elite, research-driven educational experience.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of Tulane University.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES