

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Tulane University for its history of academic excellence

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Tulane University for its history of academic excellence.

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

7 WHEREAS, Tulane has an extensive list of highly accomplished alumni that
8 includes twelve Louisiana governors, one chief justice of the United States Supreme Court,
9 several members of Congress, two surgeons general of the United States, and two Nobel
10 laureates; and

11 WHEREAS, Tulane is a leading research university, and in fiscal year 2022, it
12 brought in \$210 million in external research funds; Tulane National Primate Research Center
13 in Covington, Louisiana, is one of only seven federally-funded National Primate Research
14 Centers in the country; and

15 WHEREAS, Tulane is continuously working to keep the best and brightest students
16 in Louisiana with initiatives such as the Legislative Scholars Program and the Louisiana
17 Promise Program; under the Louisiana Promise Program, the university meets the full
18 financial need, without the use of loans, for its Louisiana students whose families make less
19 than \$100,000 per year; and

20 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Promise Program has resulted in an increased number of
21 students from Louisiana choosing to stay in Louisiana to attend Tulane University; as of

1 today, Tulane student enrollment for Fall 2023 includes students from forty-nine states and
2 territories, with Louisiana leading the pack; and

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

6 WHEREAS, Tulane is also an economic driver in Louisiana; the university's annual
7 economic impact to the state economy is \$2.3 billion; it directly employs over eight thousand
8 individuals and indirectly supports an additional five thousand three hundred ten jobs across
9 the state; and

10 WHEREAS, Tulane recently embarked on a significant expansion of its downtown
11 campus connecting the research and entrepreneurial communities; the university will be the
12 anchor tenant in the redevelopment of Charity Hospital in New Orleans; the project will
13 bring the historic building back into commerce for the first time since Hurricane Katrina;
14 and

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

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
19 commend Tulane University for its history of academic excellence and does hereby extend
20 sincerest wishes that the university continue to provide students with a premier, research-
21 driven educational experience.

DIGEST

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