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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 39

BY SENATOR FESI

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the Bayou Community Foundation for its efforts to assist Louisiana's coastal communities in Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes and the town of Grand Isle.

1	A RESOLUTION	
2	To commend Bayou Community Foundation for its efforts to assist Louisiana's coastal	
3	communities in the parishes of Lafourche and Terrebonne and the town of Grand	
4	Isle.	
5	WHEREAS, since 2012, Bayou Community Foundation has worked diligently to	
6	strengthen the precious and unique coastal communities of Lafourche Parish and Terrebonne	
7	Parish, and the town of Grand Isle by addressing critical community needs, expanding	
8	nonprofit capacity, and enriching philanthropy in this coastal region; and	
9	WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this valuable and	
10	impactful community foundation specifically and effectively serving the 200,000 residents	
11	of this coastal Louisiana region; and	
12	WHEREAS, since Hurricane Ida made landfall on August 29, 2021, Bayou	
13	Community Foundation has invested over \$10 million in its Bayou Recovery Fund for	
14	nonprofit relief and recovery efforts serving local residents; and	
15	WHEREAS, Bayou Community Foundation has made housing recovery its priority	
16	in this region, working with Amish, Mennonite, and other volunteer groups from across the	
17	country to build forty-seven new homes and repair over four hundred fifty homes for	
18	under-resourced Hurricane Ida survivors since January 2022 through its Rebuild Dulac,	

1	Rebuild South Lafourche, and Rebuild Grand Isle housing recovery programs; and	
2	WHEREAS, Bayou Community Foundation has successfully leveraged philanthropic	
3	gifts with volunteer efforts to provide over five hundred families in the Bayou Region wi	
4	safe and sanitary homes again after the devastation caused by Hurricane Ida; and	
5	WHEREAS, over the past eleven years, Bayou Community Foundation has awarded	
6	over \$2.3 million in grants to local nonprofit organizations to fund critical human service	
7	education, workforce development, and coastal programs through its Annual Nonprof	
8	Grants Program; and	
9	WHEREAS, Bayou Community Foundation continues to lead efforts to address food	
10	insecurity and mental health needs in Lafourche, Terrebonne, and Grand Isle through its	
11	working groups on hunger and behavioral health.	
12	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana	
13	does hereby commend Bayou Community Foundation for its efforts to assist Louisiana	
14	coastal communities in Lafourche Parish, Terrebonne Parish and the town of Grand Isle.	
15	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to	
16	Jennifer Armand, executive director of the Bayou Community Foundation.	

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

	DIGEST	
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