2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARLSON

A RESOLUTION

To designate Saturday, April 20, 2024, as Beausoleil Festival and Jambalaya Cook-Off Day in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the City of Broussard prides itself on its vibrant community spirit and its rich tapestry of cultural traditions; and

WHEREAS, jambalaya is an iconic Cajun food that is enjoyed across cultures and generations in Acadiana, embodying the spirit of family and community and the joy of sharing; and

WHEREAS, Joseph "Beausoleil" Broussard was the leader of the Acadian resistance during the French and Indian War in the mid-1700's, fought against British forces, was imprisoned, was expelled from his home in Nova Scotia, sailed thousands of miles from Canada, eventually settled in Louisiana in 1765, and remains a symbol of courage and fighting spirit of the Acadian people and their descendants: and

WHEREAS, the Beausoleil Festival and Jambalaya Cook-Off, which is held on the third Saturday in April, is a testament to the city's dedication to preserving the culture and history and bringing people together through the universal language of delicious food; and

WHEREAS, this festival not only showcases the extraordinary talents of local cook but also offers an opportunity for residents and visitors alike to partake in a day filled with delicious spices and tastes; and

WHEREAS, the Beausoleil Festival and Jambalaya Cook-Off aligns the city of Broussard and the state of Louisiana in their shared commitment to community engagement, economic development, and the promotion of cultural tourism. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Saturday, April 20, 2024, as Beausoleil Festival and Jambalaya Cook-Off Day in Louisiana and does hereby encourage all Louisianians to honor, participate in, and enjoy the festivities held in Broussard, Louisiana.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES