

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 213

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SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 9, 2024, as Communication Health Awareness: Speech-Language Pathologist and Audiologist Day in Louisiana

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Thursday, May 9, 2024, as Communication Health Awareness: Speech-  
3 Language Pathologist and Audiologist Day in Louisiana.

4 WHEREAS, the Speech-Language Hearing Association (LSHA) provides a vital  
5 service to the citizens of this state; and

6 WHEREAS, speech-language pathologists (SLPs) diagnose, evaluate, and treat a  
7 wide range of communication disorders such as speech sound disorders, language delays,  
8 fluency disorders, voice disorders, cognitive-communication disorders, and feeding and  
9 swallowing disorders; and audiologists (AuDs) diagnose and treat balance and hearing  
10 disorders; and

11 WHEREAS, SLPs and AuDs work in a variety of settings, including schools,  
12 hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and in private practice, to help individuals of all ages  
13 improve their communication skills and overall quality of life; and

14 WHEREAS, SLPs play a critical role in the education and development of children  
15 by helping them learn to speak clearly and understand language, and providing avenues for  
16 them to participate fully in school and social activities; AuDs are among the first  
17 professionals to identify hearing loss, which can be a contributing factor to overall  
18 communication development; and

19 WHEREAS, SLPs provide essential services to adults who have experienced strokes,  
20 brain injuries, or other neurological conditions that affect their communication abilities;  
21 AuDs serve all those who experience hearing loss.

1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
2   Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Thursday, May 9, 2024, as Communication  
3   Health Awareness: Speech-Language Pathologist and Audiologist Day in the state and does  
4   hereby acknowledge the important contributions of speech-language pathologists and  
5   audiologists to the health and well-being of the citizens of Louisiana.

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DIGEST

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