

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY AND SENATOR BOUIE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 30, 2025, as LMA Municipal Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA) was founded in 1926 as a nonprofit 501(c)4 organization serving as a unified voice for Louisiana's municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the LMA is a statewide member organization that advocates on behalf of three hundred five members, consisting of one hundred twenty-seven villages, one hundred twelve towns, sixty-four cities, and two parishes; and

WHEREAS, the LMA wholly owns two subsidiaries: Risk Management, Inc. (RMI), and Louisiana Municipal Advisory and Technical Services Bureau (LaMATS); LMA provides administrative management services for Louisiana Municipal Gas Authority, Louisiana Recreation and Park Association, Louisiana City Attorneys Association, Louisiana Municipal Clerks Association, and Building Officials Association of Louisiana; LMA has multiple affiliate and advisory partners including the Louisiana Community Development Authority, the Louisiana Municipal Association of Unemployment Compensation, the Louisiana Association of Tax Administrators, the Louisiana Association of Municipal Secretaries and Assistants, Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, the Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association, the Louisiana Airport Managers and Associates, the Louisiana Conference of Mayors, the Louisiana Municipal Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, and the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the LMA is to educate and empower local governments to serve the citizens of Louisiana efficiently and effectively and to advocate on behalf of municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the LMA provides numerous programs and services to its member municipalities, such as conferences, training, webinars, legislative advocacy, and information technology assistance; RMI-managed funds and liability programs including

liability indemnification, worker's compensation, and unemployment compensation; and LaMATs-sponsored programs such as procurement services, delinquent property tax collection, insurance premium tax collection, occupational license tax collection, and consulting; and

WHEREAS, the LMA continues to promote local governments by shaping legislation, providing education on municipal issues, and exchanging ideas and experiences among elected officials throughout the state; the LMA has partnered with the Police Jury Association of Louisiana to establish LITACorp, which provides technical assistance to political subdivisions with competitive federal grant opportunities and a matching-funds program specifically for local government entities in rural and economically distressed communities; and

WHEREAS, the LMA executive committee members include the Honorable Rick Allen, mayor of Leesville, president; the Honorable Ray Bourque, mayor of Broussard, first vice president; the Honorable Michael Chauffe, mayor of Grosse Tete, immediate past president; the Honorable Charles E. Robichaux, mayor of Rayne, District G vice president; and the Honorable Barney Arceneaux, executive director; and

WHEREAS, the LMA is celebrating ninety-nine years of advocacy, education, and public service; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, April 30, 2025, the LMA hosts its annual LMA Municipal Day and legislative advocacy day at the Louisiana state capitol, celebrating all three hundred and five municipalities and local government officials and their employees for dedication to public service in our state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 30, 2025, as LMA Municipal Day at the state capitol.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE