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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 181

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COMMENDATIONS: Commends Teach For America for its efforts to create educational excellence for students in Louisiana and nationwide

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Teach For America for its efforts to create educational excellence for all
3 students in Louisiana and nationwide.

4 WHEREAS, Teach For America was started by Wendy Kopp to address the national
5 teacher shortage and to improve academic outcomes for low-income children; the
6 organization launched in 1990 with four hundred eighty-nine corps members in the five
7 founding regions of New York, Los Angeles, eastern North Carolina, rural Georgia, and
8 southern Louisiana; and

9 WHEREAS, Teach For America is a leadership development organization for those
10 who want to help students achieve the most critical educational milestones; today, the
11 organization is a network of nearly seventy thousand leaders, with more than one thousand
12 three hundred leaders in Louisiana; these individuals started in the classroom and remain in
13 lifelong pursuit of the vision that all children will be afforded the opportunity to receive a
14 quality education; and

15 WHEREAS, the mission of Teach For America is to find, develop, and support
16 exceptional leaders to expand access and opportunity for all children; the organization works
17 to create an environment where educators, policymakers, parents, and students work together
18 to ensure that children have an adequate foundation; and

19 WHEREAS, Teach For America recruits outstanding leaders to serve as "corps
20 members" who commit to two years teaching in low-income communities where they can
21 experience the challenges and rewards of creating and expanding opportunities for children;

1 after this, corps members become part of the organization's alumni network, and in
2 Louisiana, there are alumni in more than thirty parishes; and

3 WHEREAS, Teach For America provides a high-impact tutoring program called the
4 Ignite Fellowship; this program recruits and trains college students to provide in-school
5 virtual tutoring for students who need additional support in literacy; there are over three
6 hundred Ignite tutors in Louisiana; and

7 WHEREAS, Teach For America and its members are most deserving of the highest
8 recognition for their dedicated efforts to create educational opportunity for all students,
9 laying the foundation for a better future for American education.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
11 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Teach For America for its efforts to improve
12 educational outcomes across the country and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the
13 organization and its members continue to prosper in their endeavors to improve American
14 education.

DIGEST

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