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18 WHEREAS, preserving an adequate and safe water supply for Caddo Parish is of
19 paramount importance to the welfare, safety, and health of the citizens of Caddo Parish; and

1 WHEREAS, the residents of Caddo Parish would like to ensure that Caddo Lake
2 continues to be a sportsman's paradise that is available to the public as long as they respect
3 the rights of North Caddo Parish and Louisiana residents; and

4 WHEREAS, the availability of water during times of drought is a major concern for
5 the population of Caddo Parish; and

6 WHEREAS, lake capacity has likely diminished since the last study was conducted,
7 and fears regarding the buildup of additional silt from natural runoff and aquatic weeds
8 dominating the lake exist among residents within the area of Caddo Lake; and

9 WHEREAS, the people of North Caddo Parish are concerned that environmental
10 groups such as Sierra Club could utilize issues surrounding the industrial use of water from
11 Caddo Lake and attempt to take control of the lake; and

12 WHEREAS, the people of North Caddo Parish are good stewards of their land and
13 waterways and want to maintain their capacity to steward Caddo Lake well.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Conservation and
16 Energy to study the industrial use of water from Caddo Lake and the impact of such use on
17 the lake environment including but not limited to the buildup of silt and aquatic vegetation.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Conservation and Energy
19 shall report its findings to the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment not
20 later than sixty days prior to the convening of the 2027 Regular Session of the Legislature.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
22 secretary of the Department of Conservation and Energy.

DIGEST

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