

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52

BY SENATOR MILLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Coalition for Violence Prevention upon its efforts as an independent, grassroots, multi-disciplinary coalition of behavioral health community members who are committed to the early detection of those at risk for interpersonal violence in order to prevent such violence and the terrible human tragedies that accompany such violence.

WHEREAS, the coalition is a multi-disciplinary organization of behavioral health community professionals who believe that early detection and intervention is the best and most effective approach to violence prevention; and

WHEREAS, the coalition in Louisiana proposes to provide a comprehensive road map to promote early and effective identification of those persons at risk for violence; and

WHEREAS, this alliance states as its mission to engage all levels of the behavioral health community to use knowledge and skills that have been judged scientifically effective in order to build skills in early detection to eliminate violence in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the coalition finds that a lack of violence-related education among mental health professionals, as well as the general community, has proven a barrier to the recognition, and containment of interpersonal violence; and

WHEREAS, by educating and training all levels of the behavioral health community, the coalition pledges to engage others in the community at large, in the use of scientific methods for early detection of those who are of greater risk of committing violence; and

WHEREAS, the coalition additionally strives to promote known protective factors, including but not limited to presenting positive role models, providing school support, and encouraging community involvement in efforts to prevent violence.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana Coalition for Violence Prevention upon its efforts as an independent, grassroots, multi-disciplinary coalition of behavioral health community members who are committed to the early detection of those at risk of interpersonal violence in order to prevent violence and the terrible human tragedies that accompany such violence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Louisiana Coalition for Violence Prevention through its steering committee, Cindy Nardini, steering committee representative.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES