

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 172

BY REPRESENTATIVE WESLEY BISHOP

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the students, faculty, and staff of Southern University at New Orleans on the establishment of a westbank campus at the L.B. Landry/O. Perry Walker High School site

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the students, faculty, and staff of Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO)
3 on the establishment of a westbank campus at the L.B. Landry/O. Perry Walker High
4 School site for the primary benefit of westbank residents.

5 WHEREAS, SUNO is a public, historically black university that creates and
6 maintains an environment conducive to learning and growth, as well as promotes the upward
7 mobility of a diverse population of both traditional and nontraditional students through
8 quality academic programs and service to achieve excellence in higher education; and

9 WHEREAS, leaders in both secondary and postsecondary education have lamented
10 the lack of educational options on New Orleans' west bank; and

11 WHEREAS, starting in August 2013, SUNO faculty will move into the unified L.B.
12 Landry and O. Perry Walker High School building, where they will teach between twelve
13 and fifteen first-year courses in English, biology, math, social work, criminal justice and
14 others; and

15 WHEREAS, the August roll-out will include space for students to register for classes
16 and apply for financial aid; and

17 WHEREAS, the partnership between SUNO and the high school was solidified by
18 the signing of a memorandum of understanding on Tuesday, April 2, 2013; and

19 WHEREAS, the partnership was heralded by O. Perry Walker High School Principal
20 Mary Laurie as "the beginning of a dream realized".

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the students, faculty, and staff of SUNO on
3 the establishment of a westbank campus at the L.B. Landry/O. Perry Walker High School
4 site for the primary benefit of westbank residents.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
6 to the chancellor of SUNO.

DIGEST

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