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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

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SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Wednesday, April 6, 2016, as New Orleans Day at the legislature

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 6, 2016, as New Orleans Day at the Louisiana Legislature,
to commend the city of New Orleans, and to provide suitable observance of this
special day.
WHEREAS, Louisiana is nationally and internationally recognized as perhaps the
most unique state in the nation because of its amazing variety of major natural and cultural
attractions and significant historical sites, and New Orleans plays a vital role in the
distinction that Louisiana enjoys; and
WHEREAS, New Orleans, founded in 1718, integrates into its identity two hundred
ninety-eight years of rich history, and is worthy of recognition for serving as a gateway to
one of America's most unusual states with a diverse cultural heritage and singular historical
legacy; and
WHEREAS, the city of New Orleans ranks as a very popular travel destination,
drawing visitors from all over the world; and
WHEREAS, the legislature celebrates the global prominence of the city of New
Orleans as home to one of America's largest ports and most affordable airports; and
WHEREAS, the legislature celebrates Louis Armstrong New Orleans International
Airport, which is setting new records for passengers served, and recognizes its key role in
bolstering the city's economy; and

1	WHEREAS, New Orleans, while celebrating its extraordinary history, is also a
2	dynamic and modern city and is home to diverse industries including tourism, aerospace, oil
3	and gas, shipbuilding, manufacturing, telecommunications, film, music, the visual,
4	performing, and design arts, financial institutions; and facilities for scientific and medical
5	research; and
6	WHEREAS, through such diverse economic activity, the city of New Orleans
7	generates a substantial amount of revenue for the state treasury; and
8	WHEREAS, more than nine million people visit the city annually, contributing to its
9	economic prosperity, to patronize celebrated restaurants, elegant hotels, fabulous retail
10	shops, and a wealth of entertainment venues; and
11	WHEREAS, New Orleans' great festivals attract visitors, including almost one-half
12	million for Jazz Fest, over one-half million for French Quarter Fest, and nearly one million
13	for Mardi Gras; and
14	WHEREAS, New Orleans offers a bevy of cultural treasures, such as the National
15	WWII Museum, the New Orleans Museum of Art, the Contemporary Arts Center, the New
16	Orleans Jazz Orchestra, Audubon Nature Institute, and the world-renowned musicians and
17	entertainers who call New Orleans home; and
18	WHEREAS, New Orleans proudly offers countless galleries for international and
19	local art clustered in and around the French Quarter and the nearby Warehouse District, and
20	a beautiful venue for the performing arts and Broadway musicals at the recently remodeled
21	Saenger Theatre; and
22	WHEREAS, it is the people of many cultural backgrounds who have contributed to
23	the wonderful mixture of sights, sounds, smells, and tastes that makes New Orleans the
24	remarkably distinctive place it is today.
25	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
26	designate Wednesday, April 6, 2016, as New Orleans Day at the Louisiana Legislature and
27	does hereby commend the city of New Orleans and provides that this special day shall be
28	observed with appropriate recognition of the unique history and culture of the Crescent City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

- 2 to the Honorable John Bel Edwards, governor of the state of Louisiana, and the Honorable
- 3 Mitchell J. Landrieu, mayor of the city of New Orleans.

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