

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56

BY SENATOR WHITE

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 23, 2019, as "Winn-Dixie Day at the legislature" and to commend Winn-Dixie for its commitment to Louisiana.

WHEREAS, it is with great pride and gratitude that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana commends Winn-Dixie for its longstanding commitment to Louisiana's economy and its citizens as exemplified through the grocer's successful endeavors in community involvement and years of generous charitable contributions; and

WHEREAS, the neighborhood grocer has consistently reaffirmed its commitment to customers, associates, and community with partnerships and programs that speak to the unique values of the Louisiana market for the past sixty-three years; and

WHEREAS, as one of the top grocers in the nation, Winn-Dixie has employed working Louisianians in communities throughout the state for decades and continues to partner with organizations like Urban League of Greater New Orleans to recruit and employ Louisianians who are ready to make a difference in their community; and

WHEREAS, the grocer has committed to an ongoing investment in Louisiana's children through commitments and sponsorships with the Children's Museum of New Orleans and Girl Scouts of South Louisiana in addition to local schools like Riverdale High School, Edna Carr High School, and Alice C. Harte Elementary; and

WHEREAS, following Hurricane Katrina, the neighborhood grocer stood with and assisted Louisianians with their efforts to rebuild through partnerships with Habitat for Humanity, SPCA, and United Way; and

WHEREAS, as a Community Partner to Ochsner Hospital for Children, the grocer has committed to impacting and improving the quality of life for young Louisianians by participating in community activities and donating more than \$100,000 since 2017; and

WHEREAS, the grocer has maintained an ongoing commitment to less fortunate Louisianians by donating excess food from area stores to local families and sponsoring food drives through partnerships with Baton Rouge Food Bank and Second Harvest; and

WHEREAS, the neighborhood grocer honors the service of Louisiana veterans by annually donating to veterans in need during Thanksgiving and donating LSU tickets to veterans for the 2017 Veteran's Day football game; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana and the livelihood of our communities depend upon businesses like Winn-Dixie, which continues to impact lives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, April 23, 2019, as "Winn-Dixie Day at the legislature" and commend Winn-Dixie for its commitment to Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE