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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND BISHOP

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Wednesday, April 26, 2017, as Liquefied Natural Gas Day at the state capitol

A RESOLUTION

2	To designate Wednesday, April 26, 2017, as the fifth annual Liquefied Natural Gas Day at
3	the state capitol.
4	WHEREAS, plentiful natural gas supplies and unprecedented advances in technology
5	have provided a historic opportunity for the United States to achieve energy self-sufficiency
6	while creating jobs and wealth for our economy; and
7	WHEREAS, pioneering exploration and extraction methods have opened vast natural
8	gas resources to development in areas, such as the Haynesville Shale, that demand on United
9	States natural gas markets can grow with little impact on domestic prices; and
10	WHEREAS, the Department of Energy estimates natural gas production levels will
11	increase by more than fifty percent by 2050; and
12	WHEREAS, global demand for liquefied natural gas (LNG) is expected to grow
13	significantly over the next two decades, with Louisiana poised to play a major role in
14	meeting such demand; and
15	WHEREAS, expanding markets for United States natural gas is also consistent with
16	national trade and security policy, because failure to expand LNG exports would force our
17	allies to continue to rely on regimes that are hostile to United States interests for their
18	energy; and
19	WHEREAS, more than one hundred cargoes of LNG already have departed for
20	international markets from Louisiana facilities; and

1	WHEREAS, continued growth in LNG exports will create tens of thousands of
2	construction and operations jobs in the state; and
3	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Energy Export Association was formed in 2017 to serve
4	as a unifying voice for Louisiana's LNG exporters and to educate policymakers on the
5	significant economic benefits of exporting natural gas; and
6	WHEREAS, Louisiana Energy Export Association member companies plan to invest
7	more than \$60 billion in Louisiana over the next decade, creating more than 20,000 jobs and
8	expanding the Louisiana tax base; and
9	WHEREAS, LNG exports would provide incentives for new infrastructure
10	investments worth billions of dollars and generate royalties and local tax revenues directly
11	in Louisiana communities; and
12	WHEREAS, a diverse coalition of Louisiana LNG producers, including energy and
13	petroleum companies, business groups, service companies, and others, has expressed its
14	support for LNG exports.
15	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
16	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 26, 2017, as the fifth
17	annual Liquefied Natural Gas Day at the state capitol and does hereby express support of the
18	Louisiana Energy Export Association, a nonprofit grassroots organization with the mission
19	of supporting the exports of natural gas and educating public and policy leaders of the
20	benefits that LNG exports will bring to the United States.
21	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
22	to members of the United States Congress as an expression of the support of the Legislature
23	of Louisiana for LNG exports and the streamlining and expedition of permit approval for
24	pending export facilities so that the economic benefits of LNG exports can be magnified
25	throughout Louisiana and the United States.

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Recognizes Apr. 26, 2017, as the 5th annual Liquefied Natural Gas Day at the state capitol.