### 2017 Regular Session

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 106

### BY REPRESENTATIVE DUSTIN MILLER

# SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes Thursday, June 1, 2017, as Nurse Practitioners Day at the state capitol

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize Thursday, June 1, 2017, as Nurse Practitioners Day at the state capitol.
WHEREAS, nurse practitioners have been providing primary, acute, and specialty
health care for nearly half a century; and
WHEREAS, as defined in Louisiana statutes, nurse practitioners are advanced
practice registered nurses who are educated in a specified area of care, certified according
to the requirements of a nationally recognized accrediting agency, and possess a master's or
doctoral degree; and
WHEREAS, as clinicians who combine clinical expertise in diagnosing and treating
health conditions with an added emphasis on disease prevention and health management,
nurse practitioners are the trusted healthcare providers of choice for millions of patients
across the United States; and
WHEREAS, patients for whom nurse practitioners are primary care providers have
fewer instances of emergency room visits, shorter hospital stays, and often have lower
medication costs because nurse practitioners provide both high-quality care and health
counseling; and
WHEREAS, nurse practitioners are particularly valuable healthcare providers in
Louisiana, as they improve access to health services in the many health professional shortage
areas of this state and enhance consumer choice for primary care, especially for rural and
other underserved populations; and

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WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners Day at the state capitol provides an opportunity for advanced practice nurses to talk with state legislators about the important role of the nursing profession and its impact on health care in Louisiana.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the nurse practitioners of this state for faithfully providing the highest quality of patient-centered health care and does hereby recognize Thursday, June 1, 2017, as Nurse Practitioners Day at the state capitol.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners and the executive director of the Louisiana State Nurses Association.

## DIGEST

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