HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

BY REPRESENTATIVES SMITH, CARPENTER, DAVIS, HILFERTY, JACKSON, MARCELLE, MORENO, NORTON, STOKES, AND THOMAS AND SENATORS BARROW, HEWITT, MIZELL, AND PETERSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 11, 2018, as Sexual Assault Awareness Day in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the problem of sexual assault is one that affects many persons in American society; and

WHEREAS, recent studies of the problem suggest that one in six women and one in thirty-three men will be a victim of sexual assault in their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, when compared to the general population, college-aged men and women between the ages of eighteen and twenty-four experience sexual assault at elevated levels; and

WHEREAS, one in five college-aged women and one in seventeen college-aged men are victims of sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, in order to combat the problem of sexual assault, the "We're Committed" and "It's On Us" programs were established at Louisiana State University; and

WHEREAS, as a student led group, "We're Committed" is dedicated to ending sexual assault on campus and in the Baton Rouge community; and

WHEREAS, from April 9, 2018 through April 13, 2018, "We're Committed" will be holding Sexual Assault Awareness Week which will be filled with events and activities aimed at educating students on the issue of sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, sexual assault awareness will empower survivors of sexual assault to ensure that the women of their communities are not part of a harrowing statistic; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the Legislature of Louisiana to designate Wednesday, April 11, 2018, as Sexual Assault Awareness Day in Louisiana.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 11, 2018, as Sexual Assault Awareness Day in Louisiana, and hereby encourages all citizens of the great state of Louisiana to raise awareness about the problem of sexual assault.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE