

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 106

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

COMMENDATIONS. Commends LSU President William F. Tate IV on being elected to the prestigious American Academy of Arts & Sciences.

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University President William F. Tate IV on being elected to the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

WHEREAS, Louisiana State University (LSU) President William F. Tate IV is among the world's most accomplished scholars, scientists, writers, and artists, as well as civic, business, and philanthropic leaders by virtue of his election to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Tate joins other experts who are exploring the challenges facing society and identifying solutions that address issues of importance to the nation and to the world; and

WHEREAS, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, founded in 1780, is both an honorary society that recognizes and celebrates the excellence of its members, and an independent research center convening leaders from across disciplines, professions, and perspectives to address significant challenges; and

WHEREAS, for more than two hundred forty years, the Academy has been electing and engaging exceptional individuals including Benjamin Franklin and Alexander Hamilton as well as Albert Einstein, Robert Frost, Martin Luther King Jr, and Stephen Hawking; and

WHEREAS, this year's election of two hundred sixty-one new members, which

1 includes thirty-seven individuals from sixteen countries, continues a tradition of recognizing  
2 accomplishments and leadership in academia, the arts, industry, public policy, and research;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Tate is the seventh individual affiliated with LSU elected to the  
5 Academy; and

6 WHEREAS, Tate earned a Bachelor of Science degree in economics with a minor  
7 in mathematical sciences from Northern Illinois University; a Master of Arts degree in  
8 mathematical sciences education from the University of Texas at Dallas; and a Doctor of  
9 Philosophy in mathematics education with a cognate in human development from the  
10 University of Maryland, College Park; and

11 WHEREAS, Tate was awarded the Anna Julia Cooper postdoctoral fellowship to  
12 study social and public policy at the University of Wisconsin - Madison, and he completed  
13 a second postdoctoral fellowship at the Washington University School of Medicine, where  
14 he earned the Master of Psychiatric Epidemiology degree; and

15 WHEREAS, Tate's research has focused on the social determinants of mathematics  
16 performance; Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) attainment; and the  
17 development of epidemiological and geospatial models to explain the social determinants  
18 of educational attainment as well as health and developmental outcomes; and

19 WHEREAS, at LSU, Tate has introduced the Scholarship First Agenda which has  
20 the mission to impact and serve Louisiana - providing pathways to higher learning,  
21 addressing critical problems through groundbreaking research and discovery, and bettering  
22 the lives of citizens in every parish by focusing on five areas: agriculture, biotechnology,  
23 coast, defense, and energy; and

24 WHEREAS, Tate is the recipient of numerous research recognitions including  
25 elections to the National Academy of Education, Sigma Xi, and Fellow status in the  
26 American Educational Research Association (AERA), as well as association-related honors  
27 including a Presidential Citation, the Distinguished Scholar Award in Mathematics  
28 Education, and the Distinguished Contributions in Education Research Lifetime  
29 Achievement Award-Division G; and

30 WHEREAS, prior to being named LSU president, Tate served as the Executive Vice

1 President for Academic Affairs and the Provost at the University of South Carolina; he was  
2 the dean of the Graduate School and the Vice Provost for Graduate Education at Washington  
3 University in St. Louis; and he also spent time at Texas Christian University and the  
4 University of Wisconsin - Madison.

5 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
6 does hereby commend Louisiana State University President William F. Tate IV on being  
7 elected to the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
9 William F. Tate IV.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Kathy Liberty.

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