

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 178

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes May 1, 2024, as Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Day at the state capitol and commends the 2024 festival organizers, volunteers, and royal court

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Day at the state
3 capitol and to commend the organizers, volunteers, and royal court of the 2024
4 Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival.

5 WHEREAS, the city of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana, will hold its world famous Breaux
6 Bridge Crawfish Festival May 3-5, 2024; and

7 WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival began in 1960 as a spin-off of the
8 Breaux Bridge Centennial Celebration; and

9 WHEREAS, Breaux Bridge was a natural choice for such a festival because the
10 Legislature of Louisiana designated Breaux Bridge as the crawfish capital of the world in
11 1959, and the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival is now known around the country and
12 throughout the world; and

13 WHEREAS, every May, thousands of hungry people flock to Breaux Bridge to take
14 part in the festivities; and

15 WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival has become one of the largest
16 gatherings of world famous Cajun musicians, and over the three-day festival weekend, more
17 than thirty musicians will play authentic Cajun, Zydeco, and Swamp pop music; and

18 WHEREAS, Cajun dance contests and Cajun music workshops are features of the
19 Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival, as well as crawfish races, a parade, a crawfish eating
20 contest, and a crawfish étouffée cook-off; and

1 WHEREAS, a Breaux Bridge heritage tent is a showcase of the festival, along with
2 a carnival midway and arts, crafts, and speciality items; and

3 WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival is a past recipient of the Louisiana
4 Association of Fairs and Festivals Festival of the Year, Division II, and has received
5 numerous awards in marketing; and

6 WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival has been named a top twenty event
7 by the Southeast Tourism Society, and ABC, CBS, CNN, NBC, the Food Channel, PBS, and
8 numerous filmmakers have made documentaries on the festival; and

9 WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival has been featured in publications
10 such as *Southern Living*, *National Geographic*, *The New York Times*, and *Better Homes and*
11 *Gardens* and the festival was named a top ten food festival by *USA Today*; and

12 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the Legislature of Louisiana to designate
13 Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Day at the state capitol.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as Breaux Bridge
16 Crawfish Festival Day at the state capitol and commends the organizers, volunteers, and
17 royal court of the 2024 Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival for their pivotal role in bringing this
18 wonderful festival to the citizens of the state of Louisiana.

DIGEST

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