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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 197

BY REPRESENTATIVE MYERS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes May 2, 2024, as a National Day of Prayer

A RESOLUTION

2	To recognize Thursday, May 2, 2024, as a National Day of Prayer.
3	WHEREAS, since the founding of the United States of America, Americans have
4	turned to God for guidance and wisdom; our nation's historic figures and leaders have
5	consistently called upon their countrymen to collectively seek divine insight and
6	acknowledge God's role in guiding our nation towards a hopeful future; and
7	WHEREAS, General George Washington declared a day of fasting and prayer during
8	the fight for American independence; following the American Civil War, President Abraham
9	Lincoln called upon prayer to heal the nation; decades later, President Ronald Reagan
10	recognized the country's enduring reliance on prayer during struggles such as wars and
11	national crises; and
12	WHEREAS, the American tradition of prayer continues to guide our country through
13	the trials of today; through prayer, we are reminded to humble ourselves and seek divine
14	wisdom and healing; and
15	WHEREAS, Americans depend on God's boundless love, mercy, and wisdom, and
16	prayer is the compass that helps guide our nation; and
17	WHEREAS, in 1988, Congress called on the president to issue an annual
18	proclamation designating the first Thursday in May as a National Day of Prayer "on which
19	the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in
20	groups, and as individuals".

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1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the

- 2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Thursday, May 2, 2024, as a National Day
- 3 of Prayer and does hereby urge all Louisianians to recognize this solemn day and join one

4 another in prayer.

DIGEST

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