

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 206

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, May 7, 2024, as Plaquemines Parish Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, Plaquemines Parish is home to more than twenty-three thousand residents, is the site of many historic events, and serves an important role in the oil and trade industries; Plaquemines Parish was the first place in the United States where shippers used a container for cargo in foreign trade; and

WHEREAS, the parish with the most combined land and water area in Louisiana is Plaquemines Parish, located along the last seventy miles of the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS, the parish became known as Plaquemines after the French name for their military post, "piakimin", which means persimmon, a name given because of the numerous persimmon trees nearby; and

WHEREAS, Fort Jackson is a major historical site in the parish, dating back to 1822, built pursuant to a recommendation from General Andrew Jackson; the fort was used during the Civil War and as a training base for troops during World War I; and

WHEREAS, Woodland Plantation, an antebellum mansion in Plaquemines Parish, serves as a bed and breakfast and is the image depicted on the label for Southern Comfort whiskey; and

WHEREAS, Plaquemines Parish has significant seafood and citrus industries and is the largest crude oil producing parish in Louisiana; the parish is home to Plaquemines Port, one of the largest ports in the United States and the site of Venture Global's Plaquemines LNG, one of the largest construction projects in the world; and

WHEREAS, Catherine Elizabeth Blondiau reigns as the 76th Orange Queen with great distinction and dedication, along with Orange King Jeff Edgecombe; Amy Joy Hochhalter reigns as Teen Orange Queen, and Ellie Landry holds the title of Orange Blossom; and

WHEREAS, the royal court of Juliana' Alyzza' Guajardo, 2024 Seafood Queen, Cormille Alijah Jones, Teen Seafood Queen, and Brooklyn Marie Miller, Seafood Pearl, reign over the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Plaquemines Parish Seafood Festival.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, May 7, 2024, as Plaquemines Parish Day at the state capitol.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES