

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 87

BY SENATOR MIZELL

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, May 6, 2025, as Ellevate Louisiana Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend its mission to empower women.

WHEREAS, Ellevate Louisiana was established in 2020 by Julie Stokes and has emerged as a statewide policy organization dedicated to empowering women leaders throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in support of its mission, Ellevate Louisiana is dedicated to educating its members and the communities they represent, offering data-driven, nonpartisan solutions to address the challenges faced by Louisiana, while also providing a wealth of resources; and

WHEREAS, videocasts by Ellevate Louisiana offer its membership and interested citizens a platform to establish new goals and formulate effectual plans, covering diverse topics such as healthcare, environment, infrastructure, workforce, education, taxation, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, Ellevate Louisiana annually directs its attention to Louisiana state legislative sessions from February through June, organizing leadership conferences prior to the session, participating in legislative days during the session, and conducting session wrap-ups upon the legislature's adjournment sine die; and

WHEREAS, policy symposiums are organized from September through December, facilitating direct engagement with state and federal decision-makers; and

WHEREAS, answers to questions regarding topics such as local impact of the United States census data, remaining in Louisiana for work, healthcare debates, child care, jobs, sports, and more are shared; and

WHEREAS, Ellevate Louisiana shares informative and beneficial editorials aimed at addressing problematic living issues facing Louisiana families including childhood development, while striving to eliminate daily divisiveness that can erode unity for all of Louisiana and our nation, particularly in the face of one-sided solutions to multi-sided problems; and

WHEREAS, Ellevate Louisiana actively addresses the current needs of Louisiana's citizenry through focused policy positions on various crucial areas such as early childhood care, education, statewide broadband, long-term care, behavioral health, telehealth, women's health, domestic violence, healthcare workforce shortages, data-sharing for career readiness, occupational licensing reform, centralized sales tax collection, and economic development, all aimed at fostering a better future for the state and promoting collective learning and brighter prospects for the future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, May 6, 2025, as Ellevate Louisiana Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and does hereby commend its mission to empower women.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE