

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 128

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 9, 2025, as AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Volunteer Day and commends the AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program for forty-five years of service

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Friday, May 9, 2025, as AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Volunteer
3 Day and to commend the AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport
4 Caddo/Bossier/DeSoto Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program for forty-five years
5 of service.

6 WHEREAS, AmeriCorps promotes bridge-building, collaboration, and leadership,
7 and its programs unite Americans from different backgrounds, generations, and geographic
8 locations; and

9 WHEREAS, for more than five decades, millions of AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers
10 have participated in the Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program and played an important role
11 in strengthening communities by sharing their experience, knowledge, and accomplishments
12 with the individuals they serve; and

13 WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program is a nationwide
14 program that offers seniors who are fifty-five years of age or older an opportunity to serve
15 as mentors, tutors, and caregivers to economically disadvantaged youth; the program also
16 helps to improve behavioral and educational outcomes for students with special and
17 exceptional needs, cares for children who suffer from abuse or neglect, and provides support
18 to children of veterans or those with deployed family members; and

1 WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program serves over two
2 hundred eighty thousand special needs children through a network of various organizations
3 and helps to guide students to higher academic achievement; and

4 WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport
5 Caddo/Bossier/DeSoto Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program is fueled by the support of
6 volunteers from Caddo, Bossier, and DeSoto Parishes; these compassionate individuals
7 donate their time and experience to serve the needs of children and prepare them for life; and

8 WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport
9 Caddo/Bossier/DeSoto Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program continues to fulfill its mission
10 of providing guidance and support to disadvantaged children, and the volunteers who
11 support the program provide the comfort and love a child needs to grow and succeed.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Friday, May 9, 2025, as AmeriCorps Seniors
14 Foster Grandparent Volunteer Day and does hereby commend the AmeriCorps Seniors
15 Southern University at Shreveport Caddo/Bossier/DeSoto Foster Grandparent Volunteer
16 Program for forty-five years of service.

DIGEST

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