

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79

BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes June 4, 2025, as Opportunity Youth Day at the state capitol

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Wednesday, June 4, 2025, as Opportunity Youth Day at the state capitol.

3 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Opportunity Youth Alliance (LOYAL) is a network of
4 direct service providers and advocacy organizations working to ensure that public policies
5 and institutions support the needs of Louisiana's disconnected youth; its focus is building a
6 stronger connective fabric that supports all young people as they transition from school to
7 the workforce; and

8 WHEREAS, an "opportunity youth" is defined as a person between the ages of
9 sixteen and twenty-four years who is not enrolled in school and does not work; and

10 WHEREAS, Louisiana has the second-highest youth disconnection rate in the
11 country, with more than eighty-six thousand six hundred disconnected youth throughout the
12 state, which is three thousand six hundred more than the capacity of the New Orleans
13 Superdome; and

14 WHEREAS, prioritizing opportunity youth will not only expand education and
15 workforce opportunities, but also expand the pool of talent that employers can access to meet
16 their workforce needs, while averting the societal cost associated with disconnection; and

17 WHEREAS, Opportunity Youth Day at the state capitol provides an opportunity for
18 youth and youth-serving organizations throughout the state to come together in Baton Rouge
19 to learn more about the legislative process, engage with elected officials, and celebrate their
20 commitment to improving the lives of opportunity youth in Louisiana.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, June 4, 2025, as Louisiana's
3 Opportunity Youth Day at the state capitol and does hereby encourage all Louisianians to
4 support youth-serving organizations in the state and beyond.

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