

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 41

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, March 18, 2026, 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, Plaquemines Parish is located along the last seventy miles of the Mississippi River, and it is the parish with the most combined land and water area in Louisiana; 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 and built pursuant to a recommendation from General Andrew Jackson; the fort was used continually as a military site until World War I and remains in use as a cultural event center; 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, Chevron Oronite, United Bulk Terminals, and the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, Kristin Nash reigns as the 79th Orange Queen with great distinction and dedication; Emmie Gondrella reigns as Teen Orange Queen, and Mia Brown holds the title of Orange Blossom over the Plaquemines Parish Orange Festival; and

WHEREAS, the royal court of Kadence Johnson, 2026 Seafood Queen, Brynly Newby, Teen Seafood Queen, and Demi Panepinto, Seafood Pearl, reign over the Plaquemines Parish Seafood Festival.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, March 18, 2026, as Plaquemines Parish Day at the state capitol and does hereby encourage all Louisianians to join in celebrating the parish's wonderful contributions to the state.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES