

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

A RESOLUTION

To commend Women of the Storm on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Women of the Storm for its continued advocacy on behalf of businesses and communities throughout the Gulf Coast and to commend the organization on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Women of the Storm is a nonpartisan, nonpolitical alliance formed in 2005 by women whose families, businesses, and lives were affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

WHEREAS, the organization is comprised of a diverse group of one hundred thirty individuals; it is led by twelve dedicated women who have met nearly every Monday since January 2006 to set an agenda and discuss projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, Women of the Storm has been joined by hundreds of individuals who are passionate about rebuilding their homes, businesses, and communities, and the organization is supported by national partners that include LINKS, the Junior League, the Women's Leadership Initiative of United Way, and the National Council of Jewish Women; and

WHEREAS, Women of the Storm's original mission was to draw the attention of Congress, the national media, and policy leaders towards the needs of post-Katrina New Orleans, post-Rita South Louisiana, and the entire Gulf Coast; although these areas are culturally, socially, and economically diverse, the members share a passion for their communities; and

WHEREAS, the organization continues to advocate for national media acknowledgment of coastal restoration efforts, infrastructure needs, and other issues that are vital to the rebuilding of wetlands in Louisiana and along the Gulf Coast; and

WHEREAS, Women of the Storm is most deserving of the highest recognition for its unrelenting pursuit of the restoration of the diverse communities along the Gulf Coast.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Women of the Storm on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for its members' contributions to the communities along the Gulf Coast.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES