

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 97

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SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates April 13, 2026, as Knock Knock Children's Museum Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Monday, April 13, 2026, as Knock Knock Children's Museum Day at the state
3 capitol and to recognize the museum's contributions to early childhood education,
4 family engagement, and economic vitality in Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, Knock Knock Children's Museum is a nonprofit educational and
6 cultural organization located in BREC's City-Brooks Park in Baton Rouge; the museum
7 opened in August 2017 with the support of \$1,025,000 in state funding appropriated in 2013;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the museum is grounded in research that demonstrates the critical role
10 of play in early brain development and focuses on unique and impactful playful learning
11 experiences and bonding with supportive adults for children from birth through age eight;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, since its opening, Knock Knock Children's Museum has welcomed
14 more than one million five hundred thousand visitors, including more than one hundred forty
15 thousand annually, and families travel from all sixty-four Louisiana parishes, all fifty states,
16 and numerous countries to enjoy the museum's experience; and

17 WHEREAS, the museum strengthens the quality of life and economy of the Capital
18 Region and helps close knowledge and opportunity gaps through its Access for All
19 programs, which serve more than twenty thousand children each year, including children
20 with disabilities, special needs, and families with limited financial resources; and

1 WHEREAS, the museum provides a safe and inclusive space through its eighteen
2 interactive learning zones, where children and families learn together and build early
3 literacy, critical thinking, creativity, and STEAM skills, and explore career pathways; and

4 WHEREAS, Knock Knock Children's Museum supports educators across Louisiana
5 by providing professional learning opportunities that promote innovative teaching strategies
6 in early childhood and elementary education; and

7 WHEREAS, the museum serves as a vital community resource that connects families
8 to regional experts and expertise, strengthens family bonds, and prepares Louisiana's
9 youngest learners for future success.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
11 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Monday, April 13, 2026, as Knock Knock
12 Children's Museum Day at the state capitol; does hereby commend the museum for its
13 outstanding contributions to early childhood education, community engagement, and
14 economic development in Louisiana; and does hereby express enduring appreciation for the
15 museum's ongoing mission to be a community spark for engaging, playful learning
16 experiences that inspire and support lifelong learning and open doors to a world of
17 opportunity and possibility for children.

DIGEST

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