

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 146

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 15, 2026, as The Arc Appreciation Day in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, for seventy-two years, The Arc of Louisiana has advocated for people with intellectual and related developmental disabilities and worked to ensure the highest quality of life for both them and their families; and

WHEREAS, The Arc is Louisiana's oldest and largest grassroots advocacy organization with more than ten thousand members affiliated through twenty-two local chapters across the state working to provide additional supports and services to families in communities throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, The Arc advocates on behalf of individuals in the state legislature and congress, and the organization's core values guide its work; and

WHEREAS, members of The Arc work alongside the executive branch and legislators to help craft legislation and rules that protect the rights of individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, The Arc serves people through the office for citizens with developmental disabilities, the office of aging and adult services, Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, and Early Steps; and

WHEREAS, local chapters of The Arc across the state provide numerous services, including early intervention, inclusive recreation, personal care assistance, day habilitation, supported employment, community homes, and supervised independent living; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Louisiana and its affiliated chapters are most deserving of the highest recognition for their continued efforts to support individuals with intellectual and related developmental disabilities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, April 15, 2026, as The Arc Appreciation Day in Louisiana and does hereby extend enduring appreciation to The Arc of Louisiana and its affiliated chapters for their contributions to the state.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES