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2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 154

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To commend Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church and School on the occasion of the seventy-fifth Our Lady of Prompt Succor Tomato Festival.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church and School for its contributions to the Chalmette community and to commend it on the occasion of the seventy-fifth Our Lady of Prompt Succor Tomato Festival; and

WHEREAS, the Our Lady of Prompt Succor Parish Tomato Festival began in 1951 and honors the Creole tomato, which is grown exclusively in the mineral-rich, alluvial soil of St. Bernard and Plaquemines parishes; and

WHEREAS, the family-friendly Tomato Festival is a decades-long tradition that benefits Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church and School, St. Bernard Parish's only Catholic school, and helps fund renovations and upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the seventy-fifth Tomato Festival will be held from April 17 through April 19, 2026, and will feature delicious food, including chargrilled oysters, Tomato-a-la-Chalmette, barbecue pulled pork, Cuban sandwiches, tacos, crawfish, fried rice, pizza, hamburgers, and more; the annual Miss, Teen, and Junior Pageant and the Tomato Festival Children's Pageant each take place on April 18; and

WHEREAS, the Tomato Festival will also feature live entertainment and a collection of carnival rides and game booths, and its theme is "Rock of Ages"; and

WHEREAS, Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church and School is deserving of recognition for its continued support of the Tomato Festival and St. Bernard Parish's unique connection to the Creole tomato.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church and School on the occasion of the seventy-fifth Our Lady of Prompt Succor Tomato Festival and does hereby encourage citizens to support local festivals that celebrate the rich culture and heritage of local communities throughout the state.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES