



1           WHEREAS, today nearly 2,600 YMCAs serve more than 10,000 communities, with  
2 more than 300,000 staff and 350,000 volunteers, delivering essential programs to over 17  
3 million people annually; and

4           WHEREAS, the YMCAs of Louisiana foster a commitment to strengthening  
5 communities by connecting people to their potential, purpose, and each other; and

6           WHEREAS, the YMCA of the Capital Area, founded in 1917 in Baton Rouge,  
7 Louisiana, has served as a cornerstone of the community for more than a century, advancing  
8 youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility; and

9           WHEREAS, the YMCA of the Capital Area engages dedicated staff and volunteers  
10 across seven branches, delivering essential programs and services that strengthen  
11 individuals, families, and communities throughout the Capital Area; and

12           WHEREAS, the YMCA is a leader in aquatics activities such as water safety and  
13 swim lessons, as well as child care, youth sports, meal programs, and health and wellness  
14 initiatives, and is the largest provider of fitness programs for older adults; and

15           WHEREAS, the YMCA creates welcoming spaces for people of all ages,  
16 backgrounds, and abilities.

17           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
18 commend and congratulate the YMCA for 175 years of service to the nation and recognizes  
19 the YMCA's role in responding to community needs, fostering relationships, and building  
20 a sense of belonging.

21           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana commends the staff  
22 and volunteers who create connected communities and advance the YMCA's mission and  
23 encourages continued support of their efforts to address awareness of health, wellness,  
24 nutrition and social interaction by creating places that promote well-being and help people  
25 build relationships and thrive.

26           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
27 president and chief executive officer of the YMCA of the Capital Area, Sean Elliott.

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