

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52

BY SENATORS WOMACK, DUPLESSIS AND MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVES
MCFARLAND, MENA, ST. BLANC AND TURNER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, May 6, 2026, as "Main Street Day" at the Louisiana State Capitol.

WHEREAS, since 1984, Louisiana Main Street has helped communities revitalize their historic downtowns and neighborhood commercial districts-celebrating community character and generating impressive economic returns; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Main Street has produced a strong return on investment, with every one dollar invested into the state program generating \$67 of new investment back into downtowns and commercial corridors in Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's thirty-eight designated communities have generated impressive results over the last 42 years, logging 17,491 new jobs, 4,086 new businesses, \$606 million in private investments, \$438 million in public investments, and 1.3 million volunteer hours; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Main Street leads a statewide network of designated communities: Abbeville, Bastrop, Broussard, Columbia, Crowley, Denham Springs, DeRidder, Donaldsonville, Eunice, Franklin, Hammond, Homer, Houma, Kenner, Leesville, Minden, Monroe, Morgan City, Natchitoches, New Iberia, New Roads, Opelousas, Plaquemine, Ponchatoula, Ruston, Slidell, Springhill, St. Francisville, St. Martinville, Thibodaux, West Monroe, Winnfield, and Winnsboro, and districts in New Orleans including Broad Street, Lower Ninth Ward, North Rampart Street, O. C. Haley Boulevard, and Old Algiers; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Main Street also works with communities on the pathway to potential designation, and currently Jonesville and Washington are "Lagniappe" communities; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Main Street's communities are also part of a national network of over twelve hundred Main Street communities, led by Main Street America; and

WHEREAS, the Main Street program is a proven model for economic development; when downtown and neighborhood commercial districts grow, the whole community grows; and

WHEREAS, today Main Street leaders from communities of all corners of Louisiana are gathering at the Louisiana State Capitol to celebrate.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, May 6, 2026, as Main Street Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and does hereby commend Louisiana Main Street and its thirty-eight designated communities for their outstanding downtown revitalization efforts throughout the state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the assistant secretary of the office of cultural development in the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism and the lieutenant governor of Louisiana.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES