

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 349

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Esther and Edwards families on the occasion of their Family Reunion, being held July 17 through 19, 2026, and to designate Saturday, July 18, 2026, as Esther and Edwards Family Day in St. Martinville.

WHEREAS, the Esther and Edwards families have been an integral part of the St. Martinville, Louisiana, community since 1825 and have contributed significantly to the development, spirit, heritage, and history of the city through their involvement in both the private and public sectors; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Esther and Edwards Family Reunion Committee have worked tirelessly to preserve and honor their rich history and ensure that the values and traditions of their ancestors continue to thrive through present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Esther and Edwards Family Reunion brings together family members from communities across Louisiana, including St. Martinville, Lafayette, and New Iberia, and states across the country, including California, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Texas; the family is gathering in St. Martinville to celebrate their shared bond, love, and unity; and

WHEREAS, the gathering serves to memorialize the family theme, "Legacy Lives Here. Love Leads Us Forward", and to facilitate learning where the family's journey began in America, honoring the elders and members that have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, inspiring the family's youth, celebrating the memory of those who have passed on, and creating new and cherished memories.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Esther and Edwards family on the occasion of their Family Reunion, being held July 17 through 19, 2026; does hereby recognize the love, legacy, and strength of the family; does hereby designate Saturday, July 18, 2026, as Esther and Edwards Family Day in St. Martinville; and does hereby urge all community members to celebrate the continuous contributions of the families to the enhancement of the city and their unwavering commitment to fostering education and unity within the family, the community, and beyond.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES