

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43

BY SENATOR CROWE

LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Designates the week of April 6-12 as "Junior Auxiliary Week" at the Louisiana Legislature.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the week of April 6 through 12, 2014, as "Junior Auxiliary Week" at the Louisiana Legislature.

WHEREAS, the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell, Louisiana, is a chapter of the National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc., which is a national nonprofit organization that encourages member chapters to render charitable services which are beneficial to the general public, with particular emphasis on children, and to coordinate with other organizations performing similar services; and

WHEREAS, the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell, originally the Slidell Service League, was founded in 1965 by a group of fifteen women who were brought together by their desire to help the needy and underprivileged in a city that had doubled in population in the previous five years; and

WHEREAS, in 1968, the Slidell Service League was incorporated into the National Association of Junior Auxiliaries and in 1999 became the "Junior Auxiliary of Slidell; and

WHEREAS, through the last nearly forty years, the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell has served their community through a variety of projects and in 2013, provided more than 1800 hours of volunteer service and spent more than \$25,000 to directly serve over eleven thousand residents of the Slidell area; and

1 WHEREAS, the projects of the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell include a new project of  
2 sponsoring the first annual 2014 "Mad Hatter 5K and Fun Run", aimed at both fundraising  
3 and encouraging healthy lifestyles; a pilot project for the 2013-14 school year of  
4 "Backpacks4Kids" which provides food for the weekend to a group of kindergarten students  
5 at one of Slidell's public schools; an annual "Tour of Homes" which provides funds for other  
6 projects; in cooperation with Slidell Memorial Hospital, the auxiliary is sponsoring "A Day  
7 for Girls' Health", an outreach to teenage girls in the Slidell area; and the ongoing project  
8 of awarding the Pat Fritchie Memorial Scholarship to four qualified students from the Slidell  
9 area public high schools in the amount of one thousand dollars for each student, to defray  
10 the costs of education beyond high school; and

11 WHEREAS, the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell also oversees the "Juniors in Service"  
12 program each year for students who are juniors in Slidell area high schools; and

13 WHEREAS, these high school students are given the opportunity to build both  
14 leadership skills and a commitment to community by completing a minimum of twelve hours  
15 of service within the Slidell community; and

16 WHEREAS, the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell has over the years sponsored "Christmas  
17 Under the Stars", "JA Water Day", "JA Women's Build" and "Literacy Liaison", all projects  
18 that provide hands-on service to citizens in the Slidell community; and

19 WHEREAS, the members of the Junior Auxiliary of Slidell, through their nearly  
20 forty years of community service which has touched the lives of thousands of people in the  
21 Slidell community, are committed to being active and constructive participants in the public  
22 life of their city and its residents.

23 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
24 designate the week of April 6 through 12, 2014, as "Junior Auxiliary Week" at the Louisiana  
25 Legislature.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
27 Junior Auxiliary of Slidell.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Mary Dozier O'Brien.

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