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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 115

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 4 through May 8, 2015, as Teacher Appreciation Week at the state capitol

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To express the legislature's appreciation to teachers and to designate May 4 through May 8,
3	2015, as Teacher Appreciation Week at the state capitol.
4	WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate to express our appreciation to teachers, to
5	honor all teachers, and to recognize the lasting contributions they make to the lives of
6	students – indeed, it is difficult to imagine a class of individuals who are more deserving of
7	our appreciation and honor; and
8	WHEREAS, teachers across the United States provide students with opportunities
9	to succeed in school and life; teachers serve as advocates for children and education; and
10	WHEREAS, teachers carry to work every day the tremendous burden of
11	responsibility for the future of society itself, and they usually do so with very little
12	expectation of reward or recognition; and
13	WHEREAS, motivated by a desire to make the world a better place, teachers in the
14	state of Louisiana spend countless hours outside of work preparing lessons, evaluating
15	progress, counseling, coaching, and caring for students; and
16	WHEREAS, regardless of grade level or the subject of instruction, teachers labor to
17	mold minds, to build persons, and to form citizens – whatever other molding, building, and
18	forming we accomplish as individuals and as a society, it all begins with the work of
19	teachers; and

1 WHEREAS, in the glorious tradition of Socrates, teachers are committed to a reality 2 much bigger than themselves, and we are all dependent on the success of their enterprise; 3 and 4 WHEREAS, in our era of emphasis on individual achievement, there is a tendency 5 to take teachers for granted – to overlook their essential contribution to any and every 6 success that the rest of us may claim to be "self-made"; and 7 WHEREAS, for a moment, then, we pause to reflect on those who have shaped our 8 minds and lives and those who continue to accept this obligation to community, and we set 9 aside this brief period to express our sincerest gratitude to teachers, past, present, and future. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 10 11 express its deepest appreciation to teachers and does hereby designate May 4 through May 12 8, 2015, as Teacher Appreciation Week at the state capitol. 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitable copies of this Resolution be transmitted 14 to the president of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers, the president of the Louisiana 15 Association of Educators, the executive director of the Associated Professional Educators 16 of Louisiana, the executive director of the Louisiana School Boards Association, and the 17 president of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents.

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