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2017 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

SENATE. Designates April 17, 2017, as Kappa Beta Delta Day.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To designate April 17, 2017, as "Kappa Beta Delta Day" at the Senate in recognition of the
3	positive influence of this international honor society for business students at
4	community colleges.
5	WHEREAS, Kappa Beta Delta, known generally as "KBD" is an international honor
6	society for business students in community colleges around the world; and
7	WHEREAS, students at Baton Rouge Community College who are members of KBD
8	are at the top of their class academically in the business department and are leaders of the
9	college and the broader community as well; and
10	WHEREAS, KBD offers its members special training in business and
11	entrepreneurship to better equip them with the tools necessary to be successful in business
12	and other endeavors beyond the academic setting; and
13	WHEREAS, KBD's aim, through this specialized training, is to encourage the best
14	students in the business school to create businesses and grow the economic opportunities in
15	Baton Rouge, and all of Louisiana, making the state more prosperous; and
16	WHEREAS, students who are members of KBD actively participate voluntarily in
17	community projects and activities, raise money and awareness for community-related needs,
18	and seek opportunities to engage with business leaders and stakeholders; and

1	WHEREAS, three specific activities are at the core of what KBD members learn and
2	practice in their college lives: they volunteer with the Big Brothers Big Sisters tutoring
3	program, serve meals at St. Vincent de Paul, and participate in the annual "Lemonade Day",
4	which is an event held around the country with the purpose of teaching kids the power of
5	entrepreneurship; and
6	WHEREAS, another significant activity for KBD is Baton Rouge Entrepreneurship
7	Week or BREW at Baton Rouge Community College, a time when KBD plays a key role in
8	this event held every fall; and
9	WHEREAS, during BREW, KBD members and other business students take tours
10	of local businesses and meet with stakeholders and business leaders in an effort to improve
11	the skills required by the craft of business management and entrepreneurship; and
12	WHEREAS, in the spring, KBD members make an annual trip to the Louisiana
13	legislature during session to observe the legislature in action and become familiar with the
14	legislative process, in order to become better advocates for business-friendly legislation; and
15	WHEREAS, KBD believes these visits help their members become better informed
16	voters and greater community contributors; and
17	WHEREAS, KBD alumni have become successful business owners, politicians,
18	managers, and contributing members of the United States military; and
19	WHEREAS, membership in KBD is a positive educational, civic, and business
20	influence, and members are encouraged to become leaders in business, nonprofit enterprises,
21	politics, and the military, making it more likely that these young people will have a positive
22	impact on their community.
23	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
24	does hereby designate April 17, 2017, as "Kappa Beta Delta Day" in recognition of the
25	positive influence of this international honor society for business students at community
26	colleges.
27	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
28	Kappa Beta Delta chapter at Baton Rouge Community College.

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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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