

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes Monday, May 15, 2017, as I-49 South Day
at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Monday, May 15, 2017, as I-49 South Day at the state capitol.

3 WHEREAS, the nine-parish Acadiana region's business community comes together
4 annually to celebrate Acadiana Day at the capitol to advocate for priorities that will improve
5 its economic competitiveness; and

6 WHEREAS, May 15-19, 2017, is being observed nationally as Infrastructure Week;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, citizens of Louisiana rely on critical infrastructure, including roads and
9 bridges, railroads and transit systems, ports and airports, pipes and water systems, reliable
10 power supply, access to broadband and telecommunications, and connectivity to the
11 regional, national, and global economy; and

12 WHEREAS, this infrastructure enhances our local, regional, and state economy, our
13 quality of life, our safety, and the strength of our communities; and

14 WHEREAS, America's poorly funded infrastructure and transportation systems are
15 more than a drag on the economy, they can be harmful to health and safety, even though
16 tragedies resulting from infrastructure failures are most often preventable with adequate
17 investment; and

18 WHEREAS, every dollar invested in infrastructure generates nearly two dollars in
19 economic output; and

1 WHEREAS, to grow the economy, keep Americans safe, and strengthen our
2 communities, we need all levels of government and the private sector to work together to
3 rebuild and repair the nation's infrastructure; and

4 WHEREAS, I-49 South Day has been established to highlight infrastructure
5 investment needs in Louisiana, and to recognize and encourage leadership at the federal,
6 state, and local levels to address the pressing infrastructure challenges in Acadiana; and

7 WHEREAS, the completion of I-49 South is vital for the state of Louisiana and the
8 rest of the country because it will improve safety and commerce, provide congestion relief
9 and evacuation capacity, and stimulate economic development opportunities; and

10 WHEREAS, despite fiscal challenges, it is important for the state of Louisiana to
11 work towards the completion of I-49 South.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Monday, May 15, 2017, as I-49 South Day
14 at the state capitol and urges the citizens of Louisiana to commemorate this special day with
15 appropriate events and commemorations.

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