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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 243

BY REPRESENTATIVES GLOVER, BAGLEY, CARMODY, COX, HORTON, JENKINS, SEABAUGH, JIM MORRIS, AND NORTON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Bossier Parish Community College, Louisiana State University in Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport upon their fiftieth anniversaries

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend and congratulate Bossier Parish Community College, Louisiana State
3	University in Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport on their fiftieth
4	anniversaries and further recognize their promotion of higher education in Louisiana.
5	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature authorized the creation of Bossier Parish
6	Community College as a pilot program by House Concurrent Resolution No. 52 of the 1966
7	Regular Session of the Legislature, and in the fall of 1967, Bossier Parish Community
8	College conducted classes for the first time with one hundred one students and only five full-
9	time faculty; and
10	WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Community College student population has grown
11	to nearly ten thousand students who are currently enrolled; and
12	WHEREAS, the mission statement of Bossier Parish Community College is to
13	promote attainment of educational goals within the community and strengthen the regional
14	economy through the innovative delivery of quality courses and programs that provide sound
15	academic education, broad vocational and career training, continued education, and varied
16	community services; and
17	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature authorized the creation of Louisiana State
18	University in Shreveport by Act No. 41 of the 1964 Regular Session of the Legislature, and
19	the institution opened in 1967 as a two-year community college but transitioned into a four-
20	year college in 1972; and

1	WHEREAS, Louisiana State University in Shreveport enrolled over four thousand
2	students in the fall of 2015 and now offers more than twenty undergraduate programs,
3	twelve master's degrees, one doctoral degree, many night and online courses, and more than
4	seventy extracurricular organizations; and
5	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature authorized the creation of Southern University
6	at Shreveport by Act No. 42 of the 1964 Regular Session of the Legislature, and the
7	institution began conducting classes in 1967; and
8	WHEREAS, the mission statement of Southern University at Shreveport encourages
9	providing quality education for its students, preparing students for careers in both technical
10	and occupational fields, offering courses and programs that are transferable to other colleges
11	and universities, and being dedicated to excellence in instruction and community service
12	while also promoting cultural diversity and seeking partnerships with business and industry;
13	and
14	WHEREAS, Southern University at Shreveport is an integral component of the
15	Southern University System, which has a diverse enrollment of more than twelve thousand
16	students; and
17	WHEREAS, Bossier Parish Community College, Louisiana State University in
18	Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport are all accredited by the Southern
19	Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges; and
20	WHEREAS, Bossier Parish Community College, Louisiana State University in
21	Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport have begun working on a partnership for
22	the purpose of creating the option for students to better themselves and to more easily
23	transfer between schools.
24	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
25	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Bossier Parish Community
26	College, Louisiana State University in Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport
27	on their fiftieth anniversaries and further recognize their promotion of higher education in
28	the great state of Louisiana.
29	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
30	to the office of the chancellor for Bossier Parish Community College, the office of the

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1 chancellor for Louisiana State University in Shreveport, and the office of the chancellor for

2 Southern University at Shreveport.

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Commends Bossier Parish Community College, Louisiana State University in Shreveport, and Southern University at Shreveport upon their 50th anniversaries.