

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 189

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SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 8, 2018, as Teacher Appreciation Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend teachers across the state of Louisiana and to designate Tuesday, May 8, 2018,
3 as Teacher Appreciation Day at the state capitol.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana's public and nonpublic school teachers serve the needs of
5 nearly nine hundred thousand Louisiana children from birth through twelfth grade; and

6 WHEREAS, Louisiana teachers serve students in diverse settings, including
7 prekindergarten programs, traditional and charter public schools, nonpublic schools,
8 parochial schools, Montessori schools, virtual schools, home schools, and early learning
9 centers; and

10 WHEREAS, these teachers' efforts have resulted in tremendous gains in educational
11 attainment for Louisiana students, setting students on track to reach the 2025 education goals
12 that are part of the state Department of Education's initiative, "Louisiana's 2025 Vision"; and

13 WHEREAS, teachers are not only expected to be experts in their content and
14 pedagogical approaches, but also in the individual interests, strengths, and needs of their
15 students and communities; and

16 WHEREAS, teachers often teach multiple siblings, relatives, and generations of
17 students during their careers; and

18 WHEREAS, a teacher's responsibilities can extend far beyond those listed in a formal
19 job description, and the teacher's time commitment can extend far beyond the daily bell to
20 bell; and

1 WHEREAS, it is not uncommon for teachers to make extra time for parents before
2 the school day starts, squeeze in tutoring during the few free minutes of the school day, run
3 clubs or coach sports after school, chaperone, supervise, or cheer on students during
4 weekends, and instruct students who need extra help over the summer; and

5 WHEREAS, teachers often reach beyond their students to ensure that parents,
6 grandparents, and extended families, who may have struggled in school themselves, receive
7 the knowledge and resources they desire to help their children; and

8 WHEREAS, while society holds teachers to the highest professional standards,
9 expecting them to serve as model citizens by always demonstrating patience, empathy, and
10 fairness, many teachers surpass expectations, choosing to serve as mentors, counselors, and
11 even parents when students lack the needed and deserved support; and

12 WHEREAS, countless Louisiana citizens attribute their professional success and
13 personal happiness to a teacher who cared.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the dedicated work and contributions of all
16 teachers across the state of Louisiana and does hereby designate Tuesday, May 8, 2018, as
17 Teacher Appreciation Day at the state capitol.

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