

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONDS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 10, 2019, as Pastor Appreciation Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, sometimes called Clergy Appreciation Day, Pastor Appreciation Day celebrates the contributions of priests, pastors, reverends, and ministers in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Appreciation Month was established in 1922 by pastors and religious workers; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Pastor Appreciation Day has a biblical foundation in 1 Timothy 5:17, where St. Paul wrote that the elders of the church are worthy of double honor and in 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13, where he wrote that those who work hard among you should be held in the highest regard for their work; and

WHEREAS, priests, pastors, reverends, and ministers collectively serve a global Christian population which is fifty percent Catholic and which includes 800 million Protestants and 160 million Orthodox believers; and

WHEREAS, pastors and their families deserve thanks for the unparalleled love and commitment they share with the people of Louisiana on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate, especially on this day, for all Christians to express their gratitude to those who give spiritual direction to their lives; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize Pastor Appreciation Day at the state capitol.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 10, 2019, as Pastor Appreciation Day at the state capitol and does hereby encourage the citizens of Louisiana to express appreciation to their pastors for their consistent prayers and the life-changing service they offer to our families, communities, and churches.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE