2020 First Extraordinary Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY AND SENATORS BERNARD, MILLIGAN, AND FRED MILLS

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Sunday, July 26, 2020, as Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, this landmark legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for eliminating discrimination against individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers, changing perceptions, and facilitating greater participation by people with disabilities in community life; however, the full promise of the ADA will only be reached if Americans remain committed to continuing efforts to fully implement the ADA; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana affirms the principles of equality and inclusion for persons with disabilities as embodied in the ADA and in the laws of our state, particularly R.S. 40:1731 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, numerous organizations in Louisiana work with constituents and communities to bring forth the promise of hope and freedom that was envisioned with the passage of the ADA; and

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WHEREAS, July 26, 2020, marks the thirtieth anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Sunday, July 26, 2020, as Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day in Louisiana.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE