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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14

BY SENATOR FIELDS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Recognizes the University of Louisiana System and designates Wednesday, April 14, 2021 as University of Louisiana System Day at the Capitol.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To designate Wednesday, April 14, 2021, as "University of Louisiana System Day at the
3	Capitol" and to commend the University of Louisiana System for its commitment to
4	create the most educated generation in Louisiana's history.
5	WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana System (UL System) consists of nine
6	distinct educational institutions namely, Grambling State University, Louisiana Tech
7	University, McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern State
8	University, Southeastern Louisiana University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette,
9	University of Louisiana at Monroe, and the University of New Orleans, which serves more
10	than 90,000 students; and
11	WHEREAS, the nine-member institutions displayed their tenacity throughout the
12	past year in response to the COVID-19 global pandemic; and
13	WHEREAS, in March 2020, the system universities' world-class faculty and staff
14	completed the Herculean task of transitioning all services, including instruction, to an online
15	format in order to immediately respond to the threat of COVID-19; and
16	WHEREAS, once there was more information about the virus, the universities
17	followed System guidelines that ensured the health and safety of all students, faculty, and
18	staff; and

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1	WHEREAS, in addition to the tumult caused by the pandemic, all nine institutions
2	were impacted by named storms, none more than McNeese State University, during the 2020
3	hurricane season; and
4	WHEREAS, the System's universities provided support in the form of campus
5	access, technological assistance, and other services to more than two hundred fifty displaced
6	McNeese State University students through the Cowboy Relief Effort; and
7	WHEREAS, despite the challenges of the past thirteen months, in 2020, more than
8	16,500 students graduated from the UL System's nine-member institutions prepared for life
9	and career success.
10	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
11	does hereby designate Wednesday, April 14, 2021, as "University of Louisiana System Day
12	at the Capitol" and does hereby commend the University of Louisiana System for its
13	commitment to creating the most educated generation in Louisiana's history.
14	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the faculty, staff, and students of the University
15	of Louisiana System, including Grambling State University, Louisiana Tech University,
16	McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern State University,
17	Southeastern Louisiana University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, University of
18	Louisiana at Monroe, and University of New Orleans, are hereby commended for their
19	perseverance through the past thirteen months to ensure the fulfillment of each institution's
20	specific mission shaped by its history and unique strengths, and the System's mission to
21	provide high-quality educational opportunities for the people of Louisiana through a lifetime
22	of intellectual growth.
	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to

University of Louisiana System President and CEO Dr. Jim Henderson.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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system's mission to provide high-quality educational opportunities for the people of Louisiana through a lifetime of intellectual growth.