

2022 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 160

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COMMENDATIONS. Recognizes, May 26, 2022, as National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Incorporated, Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter Day at the capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the National Coalition of 100 Black Women (NCBW), Incorporated,
3 Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter and to recognize, May 26, 2022, as NCBW of
4 Metropolitan Baton Rouge Day at the capitol.

5 WHEREAS, the NCBW Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter is a local affiliate of a
6 nationally recognized nonprofit organization with sixty-one chapters across the United States
7 whose mission is to advocate on behalf of black women and girls and to realize a world
8 where socio-economic inequity does not exist; and

9 WHEREAS, the organization is purposed to foster principles of equal rights and
10 opportunities through promoting awareness of black culture, developing effective leaders,
11 and participating in civic affairs; the organization also seeks to actively address specific
12 issues of national and international importance while collaborating with individuals and
13 organizations to achieve mutual goals; and

14 WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter of the NCBW was chartered in
15 the Fall of 2014, and has worked to advocate on behalf of black women and girls through
16 national and local actions utilizing strategic alliances that promote leadership development
17 and gender equality in the areas of education, economic empowerment, and health; and

18 WHEREAS, with its diverse group of change agents united through a shared vision

1 to advocate for black women and girls without apology, the Metropolitan Baton Rouge
2 Chapter of the NCBW aims to set a standard of excellence, create a legacy of
3 forward-thinking leaders, and serve its community through leadership, commitment, and
4 service; and

5 WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter of the NCBW understands that
6 a healthy community is a better community, and to that end, the organization has
7 implemented initiatives such as the Childhood and Family Obesity Initiative, the NCBW
8 Cancer Health Disparities Program, the NCBW Metabolic Syndrome Initiative, and the
9 Prevention/Decrease Mortality Initiative to improve health outcomes, decrease mortality
10 among black women and girls, make health care more accessible in the Baton Rouge
11 metropolitan area as well as cultivate culturally competent research that benefits the whole
12 community; and

13 WHEREAS, the Chapter offers community outreach with events such as the "Let's
14 Chop It Up" program which focuses on healthy meal consumption and provides an
15 interactive exercise session called "Maintaining Me, Mind, Body and Soul," which offers
16 self-care strategies and fun exercises that can be performed anywhere to enhance clarity and
17 productivity; other community outreach programs offered include "Taking Control of the
18 Cluster" which provides health education to inform the community about metabolic
19 syndrome and diabetes and cardiovascular disease prevention; and

20 WHEREAS, the NCBW delivers support services that help youth achieve their
21 educational goals by fostering positive self-perception, encouraging excellence in education,
22 and promoting the pursuit of positive lifelong goals; NCBW is creating future leaders
23 through programs including "Beaucoup Vitabu: Black Girls Love to Read Too!" which is
24 purposed to increase literacy in girls entering kindergarten through eighth grade while
25 fostering positive mentor relationships with the women of the Metropolitan Baton Rouge
26 Chapter; support programs such as the "Mother's Day Miracle" which provide an educational
27 opportunity for girls and their mothers focused in the area of science, technology,
28 engineering, art, and mathematics; the organization also has a program that annually awards
29 scholarships to high school seniors, college, and graduate students; and

30 WHEREAS, the NCBW, the Metropolitan Baton Rouge Chapter, hosts economic

