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**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 108** 

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates April 16, 2024, as Tourism Day at the state capitol

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 16, 2024, as Tourism Day at the state capitol. 3 WHEREAS, travel plays an essential role in preserving Louisiana's culture, propels 4 its economy, and is pivotal in shaping Louisiana's success; and 5 WHEREAS, travel is vital in creating quality job opportunities; there are more than 6 218,900 people employed in the leisure and hospitality industry, which makes the industry 7 the fourth largest employment sector in the state; and 8 WHEREAS, Louisiana attracted 42.6 million domestic and international visitors to 9 the state in 2022, a 3.8% increase over 2021 tourism numbers; those travelers spent an 10 estimated \$17.1 billion in Louisiana; and 11 WHEREAS, no state general funds are appropriated for tourism; tourism is funded 12 exclusively by a dedication of three hundredths of a cent sales tax, and the funds are used 13 by the Louisiana office of tourism, under the direction of Lieutenant Governor Billy 14 Nungesser, to promote tourism to the state, creating an enormous economic impact in 15 Louisiana; and 16 WHEREAS, members of the travel community representing all corners of Louisiana 17 are at the capitol today. 18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 19 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, April 16, 2024, as Tourism Day 20 at the state capitol and does hereby express appreciation and support for the fine work of the HLS 24RS-2982 ORIGINAL HR NO. 108

1 Louisiana travel industry in its mission to bring visitors to Louisiana and provide

2 ambassadorial and financial benefits to the state.

## **DIGEST**

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