

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 151

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates April 24, 2024, as LSU Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Wednesday, April 24, 2024, as LSU Day at the state capitol and commend
3 Louisiana State University on its contributions.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana State University (LSU), through its campuses and extension
5 offices, is the most comprehensive education system in the state, with a public mission
6 focused on education, research, and outreach; and

7 WHEREAS, the totality of the LSU enterprise yielded more than \$6.1 billion in total
8 economic impact to the state last year, providing an estimated 45,700 jobs to communities
9 and over \$2.4 billion in new statewide earnings; demonstrating that for every dollar provided
10 by the state, LSU provides a \$13.85 return of economic activity or \$690 per Louisianian; and

11 WHEREAS, LSU serves as the talent development engine for Louisiana, enrolling
12 more than 64,000 students across all levels, from certificates to the doctoral level; LSU
13 granted over 13,400 degrees last year in fields including agriculture, humanities, physical
14 sciences, music, medicine, nursing, allied health, engineering, veterinary medicine, social
15 sciences, education, dentistry, law, business administration, and public administration; and

16 WHEREAS, LSU alumni contribute to the health of the citizenry, with two of every
17 three physicians and three of every four dentists in the state being LSU-trained, plus the
18 innumerable other health fields such as physical and occupational therapy, mental health,
19 dental hygiene, nursing, public health, and social work occupied by LSU graduates; and

20 WHEREAS, the university's "Pentagon" priorities of agriculture, biomedicine, coast,
21 defense, and energy focus on supporting the needs of Louisiana and the United States; and

1 WHEREAS, LSU holds a research portfolio valued at \$1.3 billion, collaborating with
2 more than one hundred-thirty universities, nearly five hundred industry partners, and
3 fourteen of fifteen federal cabinet level departments; and that value is on the rise, with LSU's
4 record year in research expenditures, \$428 million, and ranking among the top seventy-five
5 universities worldwide in utility patents, the highest ranking in LSU history; and

6 WHEREAS, LSU's athletic teams are among the most competitive in the United
7 States, including a national championship for LSU women's gymnastics and LSU Tiger Girls
8 in Hip Hop Dance and currently top ranked teams such as LSU Eunice baseball, LSU
9 baseball, and LSU women's basketball; and

10 WHEREAS, the generosity of the citizens of Louisiana and the nation have
11 contributed to the support of Louisiana State University, and LSU has in turn provided
12 quality education, basic and applied research, new and state of the art discoveries in all
13 fields, numerous hours of volunteerism, and valuable public service; and

14 WHEREAS, LSU remains one of the greatest investments for Louisiana, one focused
15 only on improving the quality of life for Louisiana's citizens.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
17 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, April 24, 2024, as LSU Day at
18 the state capitol, commends Louisiana State University on its contributions, and does hereby
19 extend sincerest wishes that the university and its students continue to prosper in all of their
20 endeavors.

DIGEST

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