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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 83

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

COMMENDATIONS: Commends loggers and truckers in Louisiana for their invaluable contributions to the state's economy and well-being

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend loggers and truckers in Louisiana for their invaluable contributions to the
3	state's economy and well-being.
4	WHEREAS, Louisiana's plentiful forest land covers thirteen million eight hundred
5	thousand acres, which is forty-eight percent of the state's landmass, making forestry timber
6	the state's largest agricultural crop and the second-largest manufacturing employer; and
7	WHEREAS, the logging industry plays a vital role in maintaining Louisiana's
8	economic vitality, providing sustainable job opportunities and contributing to the well-being
9	of numerous communities throughout the state; and
10	WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana collects over \$14 million annually in timber
11	severance taxes, which benefits all citizens by leading to the improvement of roads and the
12	sustainability of our forests; and
13	WHEREAS, truckers are integral to Louisiana's economy, employing one out of
14	every eighteen Louisiana citizens, and the total trucking industry wages paid in Louisiana
15	in 2023 exceeded \$4.9 billion; and
16	WHEREAS, 78% of communities in Louisiana rely exclusively on truckers to deliver
17	their goods; truckers ensure that businesses can thrive and residents have access to the
18	products they need; and
19	WHEREAS, the dedicated efforts of loggers and truckers enhance the state's
20	economy and contribute to a higher quality of life for all Louisiana residents.

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1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the

- 2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend loggers and truckers in Louisiana for their
- 3 invaluable contributions to the state's economy and well-being and does hereby encourage
- 4 all Louisianians to support and recognize these hard-working individuals who are the driving
- 5 force behind the Louisiana logging industry.

## **DIGEST**

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