

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

SCHOOLS: Encourages school principals to provide for the display of certain founding documents in conjunction with America250, the celebration of the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To encourage school principals to provide for the display of the Declaration of
3 Independence, the Constitution of the United States of America, and the Bill of
4 Rights in conjunction with America250, the celebration of the anniversary of the
5 signing of the Declaration of Independence.

6 WHEREAS, America250 is a nationwide project commemorating the upcoming two
7 hundred fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4,
8 2026; and

9 WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana has demonstrated its commitment to
10 educating students about American history, including through the enactment of laws
11 requiring instruction on the Constitution of the United States, the Declaration of
12 Independence, and the Federalist Papers; and

13 WHEREAS, additionally, the legislature enacted a law requiring public schools to
14 observe Celebrate Freedom Week each September, during which students receive instruction
15 on topics related to freedom, including but not limited to the nation's founding and the
16 importance of the founding documents; and

17 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that certain founding documents are highlighted in
18 Louisiana's schools as part of the historic occasion of America's two hundred fiftieth
19 anniversary celebration.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
2 encourage each school principal to provide for the display of the Declaration of
3 Independence, the Constitution of the United States of America, and the Bill of Rights in
4 conjunction with America250, the celebration of the anniversary of the signing of the
5 Declaration of Independence.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature encourages such display, at a
7 minimum, for the duration of the 2025-2026 school year.

DIGEST

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Encourages school principals to provide for the display of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights in conjunction with America250, the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, for at least the duration of the 2025-2026 school year.