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Regular Session, 2014

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 44

BY REPRESENTATIVE THIERRY

COMMENDATIONS: Recognizes the town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, as the Sweet Dough Pie Capital of the state

A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, for founding the Sweet Dough Pie 3 Festival and to recognize the town as the Sweet Dough Pie Capital of the state. 4 WHEREAS, the town of Grand Coteau is unique in rural Louisiana for being on the 5 National Register of Historic Places, boasting of magnificent oak alleys, groves, and 6 gardens, as well as numerous architecturally significant Creole, French, Acadian, Anglo-7 American, and Victorian houses, stores, and religious institutions; and 8 WHEREAS, the Grand Coteau Cultural Foundation was founded in 2012 to promote 9 awareness of Grand Coteau's unique culture, history, and spiritual foundation, and its 10 members chose to designate a festival in celebration of such cultural uniqueness by 11 spotlighting the locally popular delicacy, Sweet Dough Pie; and 12 WHEREAS, choosing as the nominal focus for recognition the sweet dough pie, 13 which is unique as a theme among the many established small-town festivals celebrated 14 throughout Louisiana, the Sweet Dough Pie Festival of Grand Coteau was first celebrated 15 in 2012 and features tours of some of the town's many architectural treasures, presentations 16 by guest speakers on its interesting history, local crafts and music, and of course, a sweet 17 dough pie contest; and 18 WHEREAS, enjoyed by over 1,800 festival-goers in its inaugural year and over 19 2,500 in its second, and raising thousands of dollars awarded as grants to local organizations 20 that enhance the quality of life and economic development of the beloved town, the festival 21 will be held for the third time on October 25, 2014; and

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- WHEREAS, it is the founders' hope that the Sweet Dough Pie Festival will give fun-
- 2 loving Louisianians and visitors to our convivial state yet another reason to pass a good time
- 3 for many years to come.
- 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, for
- 6 establishing the annual Sweet Dough Pie Festival and recognizes the town as the Sweet
- 7 Dough Pie Capital of the state.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 9 to the Grand Coteau Cultural Foundation.

## **DIGEST**

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