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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 22

BY REPRESENTATIVE STOKES

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes Tuesday, April 28, 2015, as March of Dimes Day at the state capitol

A RESOLUTION

2	To recognize Tuesday, April 28, 2015, as March of Dimes Day at the Louisiana state
3	capitol.
4	WHEREAS, the March of Dimes was founded in 1938 by President Franklin D.
5	Roosevelt and supported the development of the polio vaccine which eradicated the disease
6	from the United States; and
7	WHEREAS, the same polio vaccine continues to protect babies today, and through
8	the support of the March of Dimes, there has not been a single outbreak of polio in the
9	United States in more than thirty years; and
10	WHEREAS, in Louisiana, over sixty-two thousand babies are born each year, and
11	over nine thousand of those babies are born prematurely; and
12	WHEREAS, the March of Dimes has helped each and every one of those babies
13	through extensive research, education, vaccines, and scientific discoveries; and
14	WHEREAS, on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, March of Dimes volunteers and staff from
15	across the state are visiting the Louisiana state capitol to raise awareness about the serious
16	need to protect Louisiana babies and to advocate for policies that improve the quality of care
17	for Louisiana moms and babies.
18	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
19	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby welcome volunteers and staff of the March of Dimes
20	and does hereby recognize Tuesday, April 28, 2015, as March of Dimes Day at the Louisiana
21	state capitol.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Louisiana citizens are hereby encouraged to

- 2 support the March of Dimes in its research efforts to find the causes of preterm birth and
- 3 reduce the number of birth defects, premature births, and infant mortalities.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 5 to the state director of the March of Dimes, Louisiana Chapter.

## **DIGEST**

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