#### Regular Session, 2014

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39

### BY REPRESENTATIVES MILLER, BERTHELOT, GAINES, LAMBERT, PRICE, SCHEXNAYDER, AND WILLMOTT AND SENATORS GARY SMITH, AMEDEE, AND BROWN

#### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the River Region Caucus and its member parishes for their cooperative efforts toward improving the quality of life in the river region.

WHEREAS, formed in 1998, the River Region Caucus (RRC) is comprised of the governing bodies of Ascension, St. Charles, St. James, and St. John the Baptist parishes; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the RRC is to seek regional cooperation among the four participating parishes on various issues and to work together as an alliance to solve common problems; and

WHEREAS, because the region shares similar challenges and values and because the parishes are a part of the same economic region, the caucus has several common collective goals, including increasing awareness of the region's resources for state policy and decisionmakers on issues related to levee protection, infrastructure improvements, transportation and safety, traffic management, community development, environmental planning, economic development, coastal erosion, and port facility improvements; and

WHEREAS, the members of the RRC realize there is value in working cooperatively to maximize the region's image, services, and communities, improving the quality of life for citizens through better communication, identifying and planning opportunities to promote and advance the culture and interests of the river region, and educating the public and statewide decisionmakers about the region; and

WHEREAS, the River Region Caucus merits a special measure of commendation for its significant contributions toward meeting the needs of the citizens of Ascension, St. Charles, St. James, and St. John the Baptist parishes and for the pride and honor the RRC brings to the river region and to the state of Louisiana. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the River Region Caucus and its member parishes for their continuing efforts toward improving the quality of life in the river region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of each parish in the River Region Caucus.

## SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE