

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 102

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Thursday, April 28, 2016, as Louisiana Community and Technical College System Workforce Experience and Taste of Louisiana Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Thursday, April 28, 2016, as Louisiana Community and Technical College
3 System Workforce Experience and Taste of Louisiana Day at the state capitol.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana's community and technical colleges have provided high-
5 quality academic and workforce training programs since the creation of the system in 1999
6 and offer credentials such as certificates, technical diplomas, industry-based certifications,
7 and associate degrees in high-demand, high-income industries, and provide workforce
8 solutions for business and industry; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2015, the thirteen colleges that make up the Louisiana Community
10 and Technical College System enrolled more than 150,000 students in credit programs, non-
11 credit workforce training programs, and adult education programs; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2015, Louisiana's community and technical colleges had 21,743
13 graduates, its largest graduating class ever, seventy percent of whom graduated in programs
14 that lead to high-demand, high-income careers; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015, Louisiana's community and technical colleges had more than
16 12,000 students transfer to various four-year universities, and these institutions have worked
17 collaboratively with the state's baccalaureate degree granting public universities to establish
18 2 Plus 2 Programs, articulation agreements, and share best practices; and

19 WHEREAS, according to a recent study, WorkReady U, Louisiana's comprehensive
20 adult education system designed to serve undereducated and underemployed citizens of the

1 state, ranked fifteenth in the nation when measured for basic skills attainment, and outpaced
2 the national measurable skills average and the southern measurable skills average by three
3 percent and six percent, respectively; and

4 WHEREAS, in 2015, six colleges in the Louisiana Community and Technical
5 College System were named in a recent list of the fastest-growing community and technical
6 colleges in the nation, and three colleges had their largest graduating classes ever; and

7 WHEREAS, Louisiana's community and technical colleges have made it a priority
8 to build mutually beneficial partnerships with industry, to make strategic investments, and
9 to align programs and curricula to meet local and statewide industry needs; and

10 WHEREAS, Louisiana's community and technical colleges have worked diligently
11 to ensure that students receive a world-class education at an affordable price in a nurturing
12 and rigorous environment that will prepare them for a rewarding career; and

13 WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, administration, and system board members and its
14 employees have dedicated their lives and put their professional reputations on the line for
15 the advancement of the students and the communities they serve; and

16 WHEREAS, Louisiana is served by the good works of its community and technical
17 colleges across the state, and the citizens can be confident in looking to the Louisiana
18 Community and Technical Colleges System for solutions to the state's educational and
19 workforce development needs.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Thursday, April 28, 2016, as Louisiana
22 Community and Technical College System Workforce Experience and Taste of Louisiana
23 Day at the state capitol, and does hereby commend the dedicated work and the contributions
24 of the employees and students of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System
25 to the great state of Louisiana.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
27 to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System board of supervisors and system
28 president Monty Sullivan.

DIGEST

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