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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 216

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 28, 2019, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol

A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Tuesday, May 28, 2019, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol. 3 WHEREAS, the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana, or CODOFIL, 4 was created in 1968 to oversee the development and expansion of the state's economic 5 development and tourism activities designed to promote Louisiana's native francophone 6 culture, heritage, and language; and 7 WHEREAS, the Louisiana brand is greatly enhanced by its French and Creole 8 culture, heritage, and languages; and 9 WHEREAS, to sustain this brand and promote future economic growth, Louisiana 10 should maintain a robust bilingual system and should continue to cultivate relationships with 11 its international partners, a list that includes France, Belgium, Quebec, and New Brunswick; 12 and 13 WHEREAS, Louisiana is currently educating over five thousand students in French immersion programs, and in so doing, is facilitating the development of a bilingual 14 15 workforce; and 16 WHEREAS, Louisiana is the first state in the union to be accepted into the 17 Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie, which is an organization of eighty-eight 18 French countries from around the world that represents 300 million French speakers; and 19 WHEREAS, as Louisiana's state agency for francophone affairs, CODOFIL 20 continues to nurture and grow international partnerships, and these partnerships result in 21 economic growth for the state.

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- 1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, May 28, 2019, as CODOFIL Day
- 3 at the state capitol and does hereby commend CODOFIL for its manifold contributions to
- 4 the culture and economy of Louisiana.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
- 6 Peggy Feehan, executive director of CODOFIL; Lieutenant Governor William "Billy"
- 7 Nungesser; and Burnell Lemoine, president of the CODOFIL board.

DIGEST

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