

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 36

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request Major League Baseball to consider locating a franchise in the New Orleans area temporarily if a team is unable to play games in their home stadium due to COVID-19 restrictions imposed by state or local government.

WHEREAS, some states and cities hosting Major League Baseball (MLB) franchises have imposed restrictions on commerce and sporting events, and teams may not be able to play in their home stadiums; and

WHEREAS, MLB has announced its intent to begin an abbreviated 2020 season in July; and

WHEREAS, it is unlikely that fans will be allowed to attend baseball games; and

WHEREAS, Zephyrs Stadium would be a potential site to host a baseball team in need of a facility in which to play; and

WHEREAS, Zephyrs Stadium is within a ten-minute drive of Louis Armstrong International Airport, allowing teams easy access to the facility; and

WHEREAS, temporarily stationing an MLB team in the New Orleans area would spur badly needed renovations to the stadium and contribute to efforts to land a minor league team in the near future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request Major League Baseball to consider locating a franchise in the New Orleans area temporarily if a team is unable to play games in their home stadium due to COVID-19 restrictions imposed by state or local government.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES