

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 48

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 19, 2017, as University of Louisiana System day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana System serves students from every parish in our state, is Louisiana's largest system of higher education, and ranks nineteenth nationwide in student enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana System includes Northwestern State University, Louisiana Tech University, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Grambling State University, Southeastern Louisiana University, the University of Louisiana at Monroe, McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, and the University of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, at its nine campuses, the University of Louisiana System enrolls more than 90,000 students in over 700 degree programs; and

WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana System awards more than 16,000 degrees annually, including sixty-five percent of the state's bachelor's degrees, sixty-one percent of the state's master's degrees, one hundred percent of the state's public pharmacy degrees, seventy-four percent of the state's education degrees, sixty percent of the state's engineering degrees, and seventy-two percent of the state's four-year nursing degrees; and

WHEREAS, seventy-four percent of recent University of Louisiana System graduates remain in Louisiana after graduation, and University of Louisiana System graduates have added \$6.5 billion to Louisiana's economy in the last ten years; and

WHEREAS, University of Louisiana System universities have a \$3.5 billion annual economic impact on the state, thus producing a twelve dollar return for every dollar invested by the state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 19, 2017, as University of Louisiana System day at the state capitol.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES