

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 76

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates Wednesday, May 2, 2012, as La. Chemical Industry Day

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Wednesday, May 2, 2012, as Louisiana Chemical Industry Day in the state of
3 Louisiana.

4 WHEREAS, nature endowed Louisiana with gifts that provided the springboard for
5 major industry and that has brought great benefit to the people of this state; and

6 WHEREAS, these gifts include abundant oil and natural gas, salt dome caverns,
7 sulfur deposits, fresh water, and access to the oceans of the world through the Calcasieu
8 Basin and the Mississippi River; and

9 WHEREAS, the petrochemical industry that has grown around these natural
10 amenities has become one of Louisiana's greatest assets; and

11 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry acknowledges that it depends on
12 Louisiana and its residents for its resources, a well-trained workforce, and a strong business
13 climate; and

14 WHEREAS, this industry provides direct jobs for more than twenty-two thousand
15 Louisianians and tens of thousands more in hundreds of businesses that support the industry;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Louisiana is the nation's third largest chemical producer, the largest
18 producer of agricultural chemicals, and the second largest producer of organic and inorganic
19 chemicals; and

1 WHEREAS, the industry contributes hundreds of millions of dollars to state and
2 local coffers through direct tax payments and through household earnings generated by the
3 Louisiana chemical industry; and

4 WHEREAS, Louisianians' lives are enhanced and improved every day by chemical
5 products produced in Louisiana, ranging from fire resistant foam used in our beds and chairs
6 in which we sit; to the nitrogen in bags that give potato chips a longer shelf life; to golf
7 clubs; to hard hats; to bullet proof vests; to contact lenses; to pacemakers; and to thousands
8 more consumer products; and

9 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry is a group of companies that also
10 comprise a collection of people who want the same things their neighbors want - safe and
11 clean communities with vibrant neighborhoods, good schools, and a strong economy; and

12 WHEREAS, Louisiana chemical companies, their employees, vendors, and suppliers
13 follow the example of generosity set by Louisianians by donating approximately one-third
14 of all monies raised by the United Way in Louisiana - more than any other business sector;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, the Louisiana chemical industry is essential to the state's economic
17 growth and to its economic development.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
19 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, May 2, 2012, as Louisiana
20 Chemical Industry Day in the state of Louisiana.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
22 Louisiana Chemical Association.

DIGEST

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