BY SENATOR MURRAY

A RESOLUTION

To commend the University of New Orleans and to declare Thursday, May 30, 2013, as UNO Day at the Louisiana Senate.

WHEREAS, the University of New Orleans (UNO) opened its doors in 1958 as the first fully integrated public university in the Southeastern United States; and

WHEREAS, UNO is the most diverse public university in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, UNO has graduated over 90,000 students; and

WHEREAS, UNO has educated students from all 64 parishes, all 50 states and over 90 countries; and

WHEREAS, UNO has extended its professional reach and academic influence nationally and internationally, with high-quality academic programs in Austria, the Czech Republic, France, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, UNO has developed numerous award-winning academic programs of national distinction, including accounting, chemistry, creative writing, film and video, jazz studies, naval architecture, and hotel, restaurant, and tourism administration; and

WHEREAS, UNO faculty members, distinguished professors, and students have achieved national recognition; and

WHEREAS, UNO students, faculty, and alumni have launched active and energetic initiatives in support of the university's academic and community objectives, including its Charter School Network; and

WHEREAS, UNO has been named in the top twenty "Most Popular National Universities by U.S. News and World Report"; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2011, the University of New Orleans officially became part of the University of Louisiana system; and

WHEREAS, culturally, socially, economically, and intellectually, the University of New Orleans is one of the major assets of the City of New Orleans and the State of Louisiana; and

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WHEREAS, it is appropriate to set aside a special day in honor of the University of New Orleans.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana hereby commends the University of New Orleans for its significant and lasting contributions to the state and hereby declares Thursday, May 30, 2013, as UNO Day at the Louisiana Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Peter

J. Fos, President of the University of New Orleans.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE