

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To recognize March 2018 as "Youth Art Month" in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle and secondary students in the following ways by developing students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities; teaching sensitivity to beauty, order and other expressive qualities; giving students a deeper understanding of multicultural values and beliefs; reinforcing and bringing to life what students learn in other subjects; and interrelating student learning in art productions, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students' education; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is an annual celebration supported through the Council for Art Education to emphasize the value of art education and to encourage support for quality school art programs; and

WHEREAS, in order to call attention to this issue, the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana urges all citizens to take an interest in and give full support to art teachers and quality school art programs for children and youth in our schools and communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize March 2018 as "Youth Art Month" in Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Stephanie Bailly of the Louisiana Art Education Association.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE