

1 with no medical insurance and whose illnesses might otherwise result in an unmet medical
2 need or emergency room visit; and

3 WHEREAS, FQHCs are comprehensive community wellness hubs which diagnose
4 and treat illness and injury and emphasize preventive care and wellness practices; and

5 WHEREAS, while FQHCs are rooted in community-based and patient-centered care,
6 they also respond to the unique needs of their local communities by conducting outreach and
7 education, ensuring that patients can communicate with their providers, and linking patients
8 with social services; and

9 WHEREAS, serving as an economic anchor in many low-income and economically
10 struggling communities, FQHCs are an integral source of local employment and economic
11 growth at the heart of a modern, reformed health care system in America.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
13 acknowledge the vital role that Federally Qualified Health Centers play in improving public
14 health in our state and recognize Wednesday, May 9, 2012, as Louisiana Primary Care
15 Association Day at the legislature.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
17 executive director of the Louisiana Primary Care Association.

DIGEST

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