

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 182

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as Domestic Violence Prevention Advocacy Day in the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the members of the Legislature of Louisiana recognize the need to address domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is widespread and affects thousands of Louisiana families each year; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana currently ranks fifth in the nation in the rate of women murdered by men, which rate is 85% higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, an act of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity by systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological, and economic abuse; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence victims deserve access to safety, resources, and legal protections; and

WHEREAS, The Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence is the federally designated statewide coalition of shelters, non-residential programs, and individuals working to end domestic violence in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2024, the Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence will host its annual day at the capitol with a display on the steps and in the memorial hall of the state capitol; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Prevention Advocacy Day at the state capitol provides an opportunity for citizens of Louisiana to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services, and assistance to victims.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as Domestic Violence Prevention Advocacy Day in the state of Louisiana; does hereby commend and encourage diligence against violence against women; and does hereby urge all citizens and all community organizations to join in this observance.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES