

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 25, 2012, as School-Based Health Center Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend the efforts of the Louisiana Assembly on School-Based Health Care, the Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies, the Louisiana Public Health Institute's School Health Connection, and the Kellogg Foundation.

WHEREAS, school-based health centers have been operating in Louisiana since 1991 and provide high quality, comprehensive, accessible, and affordable health care to children and adolescents at school sites; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers deliver preventative, diagnostic, and treatment services, including direct primary and mental health care for acute and chronic illnesses, health education, case management assistance, and immunizations; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers also provide vital counseling for issues related to childhood obesity, smoking, substance abuse, violence and safety issues, and behavioral problems; and

WHEREAS, seventy-one school-based health centers provide primary and preventative care to young people in twenty-two parishes throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, there were one hundred fifty-two thousand eight hundred ninety-eight patient visits in school-based health centers during Fiscal Year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to set aside a special day to raise awareness of school-based health centers and to commend those dedicated to student health in the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 25, 2012, as School-Based Health Center Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and does hereby

commend the efforts of the Louisiana Assembly on School-Based Health Care, the Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies, the Louisiana Public Health Institute's School Health Connection, and the Kellogg Foundation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Tracy Parker and Angelita Brown.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES