

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80

BY SENATOR WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commemorate the two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America and to recognize the contributions of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution National Society.

WHEREAS, the American Revolution secured the independence of the United States of America and made possible the vibrant system of self-government; and

WHEREAS, the supporters of the American Revolution, through their vision and determination, enhanced the lives of countless individuals and made possible the system of equal justice, limited government, and the rule of law that exists in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the people who fought in the American Revolution made great sacrifices for their fledgling country; and

WHEREAS, the fifty-five delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, two hundred twenty-five years ago, and the thirty-nine delegates who signed the Constitution of the United States at the Constitutional Convention, irrevocably changed the course of history; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States, a revered and living document, provides important rights to every citizen, secures "the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity", and sets the standard of democracy for the world; and

WHEREAS, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention in 1787 established the imperative precedent of compromise; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution, and the subsequent twenty-seven amendments, outline the freedoms and the principles of representative government that are as strong today as they were on that momentous occasion in 1787; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2012, marks the two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States, which is the supreme law of the land and the document by which the citizens of the United States govern their great country; and

WHEREAS, to venerate the immeasurable importance of the Constitution on the day

on which it was signed, it is essential to continually educate the citizenry and celebrate the principles and legacy of the founding fathers; and

WHEREAS, members of organizations such as the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution National Society play an important role in promoting patriotism, preserving the history of the United States, and educating the public about the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commemorate the two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 2012, and remembers the sacrifices made by the people who made the signing possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana applauds the continuing contributions made by the members, volunteers, and staff of historical, educational, and patriotic societies of the United States such as the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution National Society in promoting patriotism and the values embodied in the Constitution of the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president general of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Larry J. Magerkurth, and the president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Merry Ann T. Wright.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES