

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 89

BY SENATOR PETERSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Loyola University, New Orleans for the contribution that it makes each day to the state of Louisiana by preparing young professionals to strongly compete in the legal, academic and business environments.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Loyola University, New Orleans for the contribution that it makes each day to the state of Louisiana by preparing young professionals to strongly compete in the legal, academic and business environments; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University, New Orleans is a private, co-educational and Jesuit University located in New Orleans, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, originally established as Loyola College in 1904, the institution was chartered as a university in 1912; and

WHEREAS, it bears the name of the Jesuit patron, Saint Ignatius of Loyola; and

WHEREAS, Loyola is one of twenty-eight member institutions that make up the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities and, with its current enrollment of approximately 5000 students, is among the larger Jesuit universities in the Southern United States; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University, New Orleans is ranked fifth best institution among Southern regional universities offering masters and undergraduate degrees in the 2008 issue of the annual America's Best Colleges issue and guidebook published by U.S. News & World Report; and

WHEREAS, the Princeton Review also features Loyola, New Orleans in the most recent editions of its annual book, The Best 371 Colleges; in the past, the school has been called Loyola of the South, Loyola New Orleans, Loyola University, New Orleans, and Loyola University of New Orleans but whichever name is used to identify the University, it is clear that when Loyola is spoken of, there is a reference to greatness; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University, New Orleans, a Jesuit and Catholic institution of higher education, welcomes students of diverse backgrounds and prepares them to lead meaningful lives with and for others, to pursue truth, wisdom, and virtue, and to work for a more just world; and

WHEREAS, inspired by Ignatius of Loyola's vision of finding God in all things, the university is grounded in the liberal arts and sciences, while also offering opportunities for professional studies in undergraduate and selected graduate programs; and

WHEREAS, through teaching, research, creative activities, and service, the faculty, in cooperation with the staff, strives to educate the whole student and to benefit the larger community; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University has been ranked for the last twenty-one years among the top ten Southern regional schools by U.S. News & World Report, ranked eighth Best Regional University in the South in the 2012 edition of America's Best Colleges by U.S. News & World Report, ranked fifth in the U.S. News & World Report's Great Schools, Great Prices category and listed as an A+ School for B Students by U.S. News & World Report which ranked Loyola's service learning programs among the top twenty-nine in the nation in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Loyola University, New Orleans, merits a heartfelt measure of commendation for the pride and honor it brings to the city of New Orleans and to the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Loyola University, New Orleans for the contribution that it makes each day to the state of Louisiana by preparing young professionals to strongly compete in the legal, academic and business environments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the chancellor of Loyola University, New Orleans.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE