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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 126

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLMOTT

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Proclaims May, 2015, as foster care month in Louisiana

A RESOLUTION

2	To proclaim May, 2015, as foster care month in Louisiana.
3	WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of children is a paramount concern of this
4	state; and
5	WHEREAS, the family, which serves as a child's primary source of love, identity,
6	self-esteem, and support, is the very foundation of our state's communities; and
7	WHEREAS, in Louisiana, more than eight thousand children and youth are served
8	annually in foster care, and are provided with safe, secure, and stable homes along with the
9	compassion and love of foster families; and
10	WHEREAS, each young person in foster care needs a meaningful connection to a
11	caring adult who is a supportive and lasting presence in their lives; and
12	WHEREAS, foster, kinship, and adoptive families play a vital role in helping
13	children and families to heal and reconnect, thereby launching young people into successful
14	adulthood; and
15	WHEREAS, dedicated foster families frequently adopt foster children, resulting in
16	a need for more foster families; and
17	WHEREAS, numerous individuals, working in both volunteer and professional
18	capacities, and a wide array of community- and faith-based organizations strive every day
19	to increase public awareness of the needs of children in foster care, including the special
20	needs of those leaving foster care, and to make the enduring and valuable contribution of
21	foster parents known to the people of this state.

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1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the

- 2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby proclaim May, 2015, as foster care month in Louisiana.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 4 to the president of the Louisiana Foster and Adoptive Parent Association and the secretary
- 5 of the Department of Children and Family Services.

## DIGEST

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