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S. RES. 370

Commending the Superdome on the occasion of its golden jubilee and its years of service to the State of Louisiana and the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commending the Superdome on the occasion of its golden jubilee and its years of service to the State of Louisiana and the United States.

Whereas, in 1966, the voters of Louisiana approved a constitutional amendment that created the Louisiana Stadium and Exposition District, paving the way for the construction of the Superdome;

Whereas, in 1975, the Superdome opened to the public just under 4 years after construction began;

Whereas, in 1978, the Superdome hosted its first Super Bowl in a game between the Dallas Cowboys and the Denver Broncos;

Whereas, in 1978, Muhammad Ali fought for and won the heavyweight title in a 15-round bout against Leon Spinks

in front of a record-breaking indoor attendance for boxing, making Ali the first 3-time heavyweight champion of the world;

Whereas, in 1980, Sugar Ray Leonard defeated Roberto Durán after Durán famously uttered the concession, “no más”;

Whereas, in 1981, the Rolling Stones played in front of 87,500 attendees in what remained the largest indoor concert for more than 30 years;

Whereas Michael Jordan made a game-winning shot in the 1982 National Collegiate Athletic Association College Basketball National Championship;

Whereas Pope John Paul II visited the Superdome and addressed a youth group before enjoying a mini-Mardi Gras parade;

Whereas Frank Sinatra, Liza Minnelli, and Sammy Davis Jr. performed for the Ultimate Event Tour;

Whereas Stevie Wonder headlined the First Annual Essence Music Festival;

Whereas, in 1998, Tulane University completed a perfect, undefeated season with the Superdome as its home;

Whereas, in 1998, the Superdome housed thousands of Louisianians during Hurricane Georges;

Whereas the Louisiana State University (referred to in this preamble as “LSU”) Tigers were victorious in the Sugar Bowl against Oklahoma, thereby making the Tigers the college football national champions of the 2003–2004 season;

Whereas, in 2004, the Superdome was open for over a 1,000 elderly Louisianians, as well as those with special needs, during Hurricane Ivan;

Whereas, in 2005, the Superdome housed 30,000 Louisianians during Hurricane Katrina;

Whereas Steve Gleason blocked a punt in the New Orleans Saints' first game back in the Superdome since Hurricane Katrina, a play that continues to serve as a symbol of the city's resilience;

Whereas, in 2008, LSU won the National Collegiate Athletic Association College Football National Championship over Ohio State for the 2007–2008 season;

Whereas, in 2010, shortly after a divisional round victory that took place in the New Orleans Superdome, the New Orleans Saints won the Super Bowl for the 2009–2010 season;

Whereas, in 2015, the United States Women's National Team defeated China in the final game for Abby Wambach who held the international goal scoring record;

Whereas George Strait performed for the 2018 Bayou Country Superfest;

Whereas, in 2020, LSU won the National Collegiate Athletic Association College Football National Championship, led by Joe Burrow; and

Whereas, in 2024, \$560,000,000 renovations of the Superdome were completed: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the New Orleans Superdome,

3 now Caesars Superdome, on the occasion of its 50th

1 Anniversary and its years of service to the State of
2 Louisiana and the United States;

3 (2) recognizes the New Orleans Superdome for
4 being home to a multitude of invaluable events
5 whose purposes ranged from the entertainment of
6 the people to the protection of Louisianians; and

7 (3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of
8 the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolu-
9 tion to—

10 (A) the owner of the New Orleans Saints
11 of the National Football League, the Honorable
12 Gayle M. Benson;

13 (B) the family of the late founder of the
14 New Orleans Saints, the Honorable David F.
15 Dixon; and

16 (C) the lead architect who oversaw the Su-
17 perdome's post-Katrina renovations, the Honor-
18 able Victor F. Trahan.

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