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TO: Heads of State Agencies and Human Resources Directors

SUBJECT: Legal State Holiday Proclaimed – July 5, 2019

Gov. John Bel Edwards has proclaimed Friday, July 5, 2019, as a legal state holiday.

See the attached proclamation.

Sincerely,

s/Byron P. Decoteau, Jr.
State Civil Service Director

State of Louisiana



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT PROCLAMATION NUMBER 102 JBE 2019

LEGAL STATE HOLIDAY – JULY 5, 2019

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.S. 1:55(A)(1) and (B)(1)(a), Independence Day, Thursday, July 4, 2019, is a legal holiday and a day of public rest in the State of Louisiana which is observed by the departments of the State;

WHEREAS, R.S. 1:55(B)(3) empowers the Governor to authorize, by Executive Proclamation, the observance by the departments of the State of other holidays and half-holidays that the Governor deems in keeping with efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Louisiana and the officers and employees of the departments of the State will benefit from an additional legal holiday during a period when Americans traditionally gather together to remember and celebrate our country's independence.

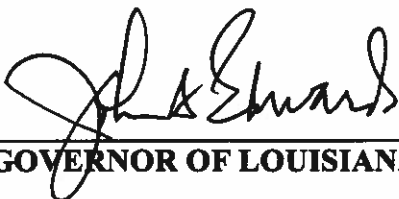
NOW THEREFORE I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Thursday, July 4, 2019 is a legal holiday. Friday, July 5, 2019, is declared a legal holiday in the State of Louisiana and shall be observed as a day of public rest.

SECTION 2: Insofar as practicable, the appointing authorities and/or heads of all institutions, offices and departments of the State (hereafter "appointing authority") shall permit the officers and employees under their control to observe Thursday July 4 and Friday July 5, 2019, as a day of public rest. Nonetheless, an appointing authority shall have discretion to require officers or employees to work on the holiday when, in the appointing authority's judgment, it is required for the efficient administration of a State facility, the operation of which is necessary and indispensable to the citizens of this State.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge on this 28th day of June, 2019.



GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA