

[insert name] Parish School Board
[date]
Resolution

BE IT FOREVER KNOWN, that by official action taken at its meeting of [date], the [insert name] Parish School Board (sometimes referred to as the “Board”) adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature enacted, and the Governor signed into law, H.B. 71 (also known as Act No. 676);

WHEREAS, H.B. 71 reflects the Legislature’s observation that “the Supreme Court of the United States [has] recognized that the Ten Commandments ‘have historical significance as one of the foundations of our legal system’”;

WHEREAS, H.B. 71 reflects the Legislature’s “intent to ... ensure that the students in our public schools may understand and appreciate the foundational documents of our state and national government”;

WHEREAS, to effectuate that intent, H.B. 71 directs “each public school governing authority [to] display the Ten Commandments in each classroom in each school under its jurisdiction,” in accordance with specific minimum requirements;

WHEREAS, H.B. 71 provides that “[t]he nature of the display shall be determined by each governing authority”;

WHEREAS, the Attorney General promulgated a guidance letter on January 3, 2025, containing the following recommendation:

Louisiana schools should implement H.B. 71 pursuant to the following parameters:

1. A school should select, and display at its discretion, the four displays attached to this guidance letter—provided that the displays themselves or funding for the displays are donated—such that any given display may appear in any given classroom.
2. To ensure readability, each display should be between the statutory minimum size, 11 inches by 14 inches, and 18 inches by 24 inches.

3. To avoid any possibility of confusion regarding whether displays are attributable to individual teachers, a school should place its displays on any classroom wall other than behind a teacher's desk, podium, or location from which a teacher ordinarily delivers instruction.

4. A school should seek to place its displays among others reflecting educational content, such as those displaying the Mayflower Compact, the Declaration of Independence, and the Northwest Ordinance, *see* La. R.S. 25:1282.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the vote reflected herein below, the [insert name] Parish School Board does hereby elect to (a) adopt the Attorney General's guidance as its own and (b) direct all schools within its jurisdiction to immediately implement H.B. 71 in accordance with that guidance, provided that the specified displays or funding are donated:

ON THE MOTION OF _____ and seconded by _____, the following votes were cast:

YEAS: _____

NEAS: _____

[Insert any concluding language the Board generally uses].

[Insert Board's usual signature block].