

Governor  
**Bobby Jindal**

## Proclamation

- WHEREAS, recent student-related housing fires in California, Indiana, New York and Michigan and other schools across the country have tragically cut short the lives of some of the youth of our Nation; and
- WHEREAS, since January 2000, at least 135 people, including students, parents, and children have died in campus-related fires; and
- WHEREAS, over 80 percent of these deaths have occurred in off-campus occupancies; and
- WHEREAS, a majority of the students across the Nation live in off-campus occupancies; and
- WHEREAS, a number of fatal fires have occurred in buildings where the fire safety systems have been compromised or disabled by the occupants; and
- WHEREAS, it is recognized the automatic fire sprinkler systems are highly effective method of controlling or extinguishing a fire in its early states, protecting the lives of the building's occupants; and
- WHEREAS, many students are living in off-campus occupancies, Greek housing, and residence halls that are not adequately protected with automatic fire sprinkler systems and automatic fire alarm systems; and
- WHEREAS, it is recognized the fire safety education is an effective method of reducing the occurrence of fires and reducing the resulting loss of life and property damage; and
- WHEREAS, students are not routinely receiving effective fire safety education throughout their entire college career; and
- WHEREAS, it is vital to educate the future generation of our Nation about the importance of fire safety behavior so that these behaviors can help to ensure their safety during their college years and beyond; and
- WHEREAS, by developing a generation of fire-safe adults, future loss of life from fires can be significantly reduced.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim September 2010 as

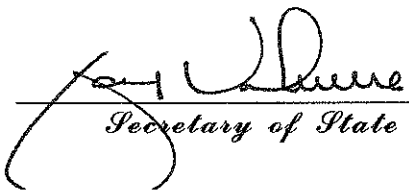
**CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH**  
in the State of Louisiana.



Attest By  
The Governor

*In Witness Whereof, I have herunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September A. D., 2010*

  
Governor of Louisiana

  
Secretary of State