WHEREAS, the Louisiana Geologic Survey, since its establishment in 1934, has conducted investigations and information regarding the state and its citizens with valuable and pertinent earth science data, land management, and land use decisions made in Louisiana, and the contributions to education, research, and environmental issues.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Geologic Survey has performed significant research and studies related to Louisiana's resources, including oil and gas, coal, and minerals, and has contributed to the understanding of Louisiana's geology and natural resources.

WHEREAS, the Earth Sciences are critical to the development of sustainable and resilient communities, particularly in Louisiana, where natural hazards such as earthquakes, floods, coastal erosion, hurricanes, and landslides pose significant risks.

WHEREAS, the Earth Sciences are essential to the discovery of new resources and the development of new technologies, and the Louisiana Geologic Survey has played a crucial role in advancing these areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim ten days, from October 13, 2013, as Earth Science Week in the State of Louisiana.