Federation Is Commended by La. Tourist Group

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ALEXANDRIA, La. — A resolution commending the Louisiana Federation of Women’s Clubs for successfully sponsoring legislation which resulted in adoption of the bald cypress as the official state tree has been approved by the Lovely Louisiana Tourist Association.

The LLTA, taking note of the fact that Louisiana previously was one of four states which had no official tree, singled out Mrs. Samuel Levy of Natchitoches for special praise. Mrs. Levy introduced the original resolution before the annual LFWC convention in New Orleans last April which led to a statewide campaign on behalf of the cypress.

The legislative act, approved at the recent fiscal session, was introduced by Reps. Paul Foshee and Curtis Bozeman and Sen. Sylvan Friedman, all of Natchitoches Parish.

Charles Pearson Jr. of New Orleans, LLTA president, pointed out that “Recognition of the cypress as the official state tree is more than a symbolic act. It serves to stress Louisiana’s interest in, and concern for, the natural treasures that have always been here with us and will do much to alert others to the vast advantages that we have.”