The region of Southwest Louisiana, populated to a large degree by descendants of the original Acadians who fled from Nova Scotia in the 1750s, has been rather loosely described since the term first became popular, with no fixed boundaries. Now, by virtue of a resolution passed unanimously by both the State House and Senate in Baton Rouge, specific boundaries have been drawn to include 23 parishes, including St. Landry.

Eunice's slogan, "The Heart of Acadiana" does not suffer if its position high on the left of the area is compared with the location of the human heart to the body.

The actual wording of the resolution follows:

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 476**

By Messrs. Brainard, Bawar, Breaux, Broward, Delatour, Laborde and R. Jones and Senators Mondou, Jumonville and group.

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To establish officially the cultural region of Louisiana known as "The Heart of Acadiana."

WHEREAS, the region known as Acadiana in the state of Louisiana is a unique area of our state and a unique region of our United States primarily because of the strong French Acadian cultural aspects of said region and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana has long recognized this cultural area and has constantly attempted to maintain and strengthen the French Acadian culture and language in the state of Louisiana and

WHEREAS, all Acadians, whether by birth or by choice, constantly and with pride, diligently work to preserve and enrich the image of Acadiana as well as the image of the state of Louisiana for the benefit of Louisianans and tourists who visit Louisiana and

WHEREAS, it would be to the best interest of Acadiana and would serve greatly to enhance the tourist attraction and image of Louisiana to further develop and identify this unique cultural aspect of Louisiana thereby publicizing on a national and international level the beauty of Acadiana and of Louisiana and the attraction of our state and this area in our state and

WHEREAS, an official designation of The Heart of Acadiana would best serve the state of Louisiana and the region involved to be so designated by the U.S. Travel Service, and by others interested and publications for international distribution by which would help promote Louisiana as a tourist attraction and Acadiana as part of that attraction.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representa-
tives of the Legislature of Louisiana, in Senate thereof,
concurring, that the Legislature of Louisiana designate the cul-
tural region known as The Heart of Acadiana within the state of
Louisiana consisting of, but not exclusively, the following par-
ishes, Vermilion, St. Martin, Assumption, Iberia, Calcasieu,
Cameron, Lafourche, Pointe Coupée, Acadia, St. Mary, St. James,
St. John, St. Martin, Iberia, Lafayette, Vermilion, St. James,
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