

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 151

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROADWATER AND SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVES ABRAHAM, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, AMEDEE, ANDERS, ARMES, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAGNERIS, BARRAS, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, BISHOP, BOUIE, CHAD BROWN, TERRY BROWN, CARMODY, CARPENTER, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, STEVE CARTER, CHANEY, CONNICK, COUSSAN, COX, CROMER, DANAHAY, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DWIGHT, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FALCONER, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GISCLAIR, GLOVER, GUINN, HALL, JIMMY HARRIS, LANCE HARRIS, HAVARD, HAZEL, HENRY, HENSGENS, HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HOFFMANN, HOLLIS, HORTON, HOWARD, HUNTER, HUVAL, IVEY, JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, ROBERT JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, NANCY LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LEBAS, LEGER, LEOPOLD, LOPINTO, LYONS, MACK, MAGEE, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MIGUEZ, DUSTIN MILLER, GREGORY MILLER, MONTOUCET, MORENO, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, NORTON, PEARSON, PIERRE, POPE, PRICE, PUGH, PYLANT, REYNOLDS, RICHARD, SCHEXNAYDER, SCHRODER, SEABAUGH, SHADOIN, SIMON, SMITH, STOKES, TALBOT, THIBAUT, WHITE, WILLMOTT, AND ZERINGUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Rita Doughty Thompson.

WHEREAS, it was with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Legislature of Louisiana learned of the death of Rita Doughty Thompson on Thursday, April 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Thompson was born on October 19, 1931, in Jena, to Luther Ray Doughty, Sr., and Gertrude Summerlin Doughty; and

WHEREAS, she volunteered her time to improve the lives of many citizens; for twenty-three years, Mrs. Thompson volunteered worldwide in a variety of organizations while her husband served honorably in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, she was a faithful member of Cypress Baptist Church and was employed as an executive secretary for the Louisiana Jaycees for many years; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Kathryn Breithaupt; and her brother, Luther Ray Doughty, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Thompson leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband of sixty-three years, Colonel Ray G. Thompson, United States Air Force, Retired; her sons, Ray G. Thompson, Jr., and his wife Jenna and the Honorable Jeff R. Thompson, Jr., and his wife Toni; her daughter, Starla Lawrence and her husband Dr. Scott Lawrence; her grandchildren, Alicia Finley, Heather Looney, Hannah Hofweber, Madi Lawrence, R. Chase Thompson, Lillie Thompson, and Rowe Thompson; and her five great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, with the death of Rita Doughty Thompson, Louisiana has lost one her finest citizens, and her death has left a great void and created a genuine sense of sorrow in all who knew her, including her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Rita Doughty Thompson leaves behind a rich and unique legacy of hard work and dedication and is greatly missed by all whose lives she touched.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Rita Doughty Thompson; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her notable accomplishments and singular contributions; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that she will forever bring to her family and friends, her community, and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Rita Doughty Thompson.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE