

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 195

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARMODY AND SENATORS ADLEY, ALARIO, ALLAIN, AMEDEE, APPEL, BROOME, BROWN, BUFFINGTON, CHABERT, CLAITOR, CORTEZ, CROWE, DONAHUE, DORSEY-COLOMB, ERDEY, GALLOT, GUILLORY, HEITMEIER, JOHNS, KOSTELKA, LAFLEUR, LONG, MARTINY, MILLS, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, NEVERS, PEACOCK, PERRY, PETERSON, RISER, GARY SMITH, JOHN SMITH, TARVER, THOMPSON, WALSWORTH, WARD, AND WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Michael Barry Carmody of Shreveport, a special Marine and a great FBI agent.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of Michael Barry Carmody on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, at the age of seventy-three; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carmody was a native of Shreveport, Louisiana, where he graduated from St. John's High School; and

WHEREAS, after he graduated from his grandfather's alma mater, Spring Hill College, in Mobile, Alabama, Mr. Carmody enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving his country with valor and fortitude for three years and attaining the rank of captain; and

WHEREAS, following his honorable discharge from the Marines, Mr. Carmody joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and he served with great dedication and distinction for thirty-three years in cities throughout the nation, including Minneapolis, Aberdeen, Kansas City, and Tampa; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the FBI in 1998, Mr. Carmody had distinguished himself as the agency's oldest special agent and one of the finest ever to serve in the FBI; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carmody was an active member of his community and served on the local boards of the Multiple Sclerosis Society, the Davis Island Yacht Club, and the Hillsborough County Emergency Medical Council; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, including in his battle with brain cancer, Mr. Carmody showed himself to be a man of uncommon strength and dignity, and he was widely respected and admired and deeply loved by his family, his friends, his colleagues at the FBI, and his fellow Marines; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Mr. Carmody was a Eucharistic Minister at Christ the King Catholic Church and was a Big Brother for more than fifteen years; he also served as a member of the Tampa Yacht and Country Club and the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI and as a past member of the Downtown Rotary Club and the Tampa Bay Committee on Foreign Relations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carmody was a devoted family man whose children and grandchildren were his pride and joy; he is survived by his wife of forty years, Karen Welsh Carmody; his son, Roderick Starmer Carmody and his wife, Emily; his daughter, Elizabeth Carmody Carrere and her husband, Christopher; his grandchildren, Caroline Anne, Matthew Hanlon, and Harrison John Carmody and Adelaide McKay, Genevieve Carmody, and John Barry Carrere; and twenty-eight nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carmody was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roderick Carmody and the youngest brother of his siblings who survive him, Arthur Roderick Carmody, Jr., and his wife Mary, Josephine Gaughan Carmody, and Thomas Gaughan Carmody and his wife Katherine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carmody will always be remembered as a consummate Irish storyteller, a lover and student of history, and a patriot with a fervent loyalty to the Marine Corps and to the FBI; and

WHEREAS, Michael Barry Carmody, a true son of the South, merits posthumous commendation for the indelible mark he left on his community, state, and nation and countless individuals as one of the state's most respected, admired, and beloved citizens.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Michael Barry Carmody of Shreveport, a special Marine and a great FBI agent, does hereby commend him

posthumously for his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions, does hereby record for posterity his dedicated and productive service to his community, state, and nation, and does hereby recognize that his legacy and memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved him and will forever bring great pride and honor to the city of Shreveport, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Michael Barry Carmody.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE