

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Shaw was elected to the Caddo Parish School Board after he retired
2 from school administration and served as school board president in 1992; he also served on
3 the Louisiana School Boards Association from 1989-1994 and was elected president of the
4 association; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Shaw left an indelible mark on Caddo Parish during his tenure in
6 the Louisiana legislature; he was elected from House District 6, and he served two terms,
7 1996-2004; he also later dutifully served the citizens in District 37 as a Louisiana state
8 senator, 2008-2012; and

9 WHEREAS, as a state representative, Dr. Shaw steadfastly endeavored to improve
10 the welfare of the people of Louisiana and served diligently as a member of several House
11 committees, including the House Committee on Education, the House Committee on Health
12 and Welfare, the House Committee on Retirement, and the House Committee on
13 Transportation, Highways and Public Works; Dr. Shaw was a legislator whose invaluable
14 experience in education gave him a vested interest in inspiring youth, so he was an active
15 participant in America's Legislators Back to School Week; and

16 WHEREAS, as a state senator, Dr. Shaw worked earnestly to reform Louisiana's tax
17 code, including the repeal of the Stelly Tax; he was committed to ethics reform, fiscal
18 discipline, and economic development, including the Air Force Cyber Command Center, the
19 completion of the I-49 corridor, and an additional span to the Jimmy Davis Bridge; he served
20 on the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and Transportation committees, and was vice-chairman
21 of the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Shaw also served on the Northwestern State University Board and
23 East Texas Baptist University Board of Trustees; his desire to see students reach their
24 highest potential led him to create scholarship opportunities with the C.E. Byrd Alumni
25 Association, Northwestern State University, and East Texas Baptist University; and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Shaw was involved with several religious and civic organizations,
27 including Broadmoor Baptist Church, where was a deacon; and

28 WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Dr. Mary Ann Neff Shaw; daughters
29 Stephanie Shaw, Mary Jane Lowder, and her husband Charles; son, Chris Minor; grandsons,
30 Charles "Preston" Lowder, IV, and his wife Sarah; Dr. James David Lowder, and his wife

1 Katie; great-grandchildren, Mary Ellen Lowder, Molly Elizabeth Lowder, Charles "Charlie"
2 Preston Lowder, V, and Huck Shaw Lowder; sister, Geri Goss; and extended family and
3 friends.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
5 recognize the numerous accomplishments of Dr. Buddy Shaw during his life of public
6 service and extend a well deserved tribute in honor of his distinctive career in education and
7 for his legacy as a Louisiana state legislator; does hereby express its genuine sorrow at the
8 loss of Dr. B.L. "Buddy" Shaw; and does hereby extend condolences to his family upon his
9 death and does hereby offer thoughts and prayers for comfort and peace.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
11 to the family of Dr. B.L. "Buddy" Shaw.

DIGEST

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Expresses condolences of the legislature on the death of Dr. B.L. "Buddy" Shaw.