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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY REPRESENTATIVES KLECKLEY, DANAHAY, FRANKLIN, GEYMANN, GUINN, HENSGENS, AND HILL AND SENATORS JOHNS, MORRISH, AND JOHN SMITH

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences upon the death of Robert James Pumpelly

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Robert James Pumpelly and
3	to recognize his outstanding achievements.
4	WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the
5	Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of Robert James Pumpelly on Tuesday,
6	January 15, 2013; and
7	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly was born in Augusta, Kansas, on May 23, 1919, and
8	graduated from high school in Oklahoma City in 1936; and
9	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly served honorably in the United States Navy Air Force
10	during Word War II for more than three years and was a pilot for over fifty years; and
11	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly served as Chairman of the Board of Pumpelly Oil, LLC
12	and Pumpelly Tire, LLC and as president of Boy's Village, YMCA, Lake Charles Credit
13	Bureau, Calcasieu Area Safety Counsel, Calcasieu Area Boy Scouts of America, and
14	Louisiana Oil Marketers, Inc.; and
15	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly also served as a board member of the Calcasieu Area
16	Chamber of Commerce, United Fund, Crime Stoppers, Louisiana Savings and Loan,
17	Samaritan Counseling Center, Downtown Rotary Club, Gideon's International, Fourth
18	Avenue Church of God, Foreman Reynaud YMCA, Calcasieu Cameron Association for
19	Persons with Orthopedic Disabilities, and Mid-America Christian University; and

1	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly was also a member of the American Legion, served as
2	Sunday School superintendent, as a teacher and board member of Christ Community Church,
3	and most recently attended Emmanuel Baptist Church; and
4	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly received numerous awards for his outstanding
5	contributions to society, including Foreman Reynaud YMCA Man of the Year in 1982;
6	Chamber of Commerce Civic Service Award in 1981; Rotarian of the Year, Downtown Club
7	in 1960; Beta Gamma Sigma Recognition Award, McNeese State University in 1992; Lake
8	Charles East Rotary, Jack Harris Award 1988; Angel Award, Blue Cross Blue Shield, 1997;
9	Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Mid-America Christian University in 1981;
10	Boy Scouts Silver Beaver Award in 1975; Boy Scouts Distinguished Citizen Award in 1990;
11	Della Krause Thielen Foundation Citizen of the Year and Founders Circle Award in 1998;
12	Lake Charles Optimist Club in 1998; and YMBC Club Citizen of the Year in 1982; and
13	WHEREAS, Mr. Pumpelly married Vida Vincent in 1941, who preceded him in
14	death, and he is survived by his wife Ruth Pumpelly; children Jane Brumby and Glen
15	Pumpelly; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; brother, Charles Pumpelly;
16	and three sisters, Marie Arnett, Lois Hoyler, and Sylvia Dunn; and
17	WHEREAS, with the death of Robert James Pumpelly, Louisiana has lost one of her
18	finest citizens, a true gentleman who left an indelible mark on the lives of the many citizens
19	whose lives he touched, and one who was a loving husband, father, and friend, and who will
20	be deeply missed; and
21	WHEREAS, although his death has left a tremendous void in his community and
22	throughout the state, Mr. Pumpelly's memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of
23	all who were fortunate enough to have known and loved him.
24	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
25	express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Robert James Pumpelly, does
26	hereby recognize and record for posterity his outstanding achievements and singular
27	contributions, and does hereby extend true appreciation for his enduring legacy which will
28	forever continue to be a source of deep pride and honor for his family, friends, colleagues,
29	community, and the state of Louisiana.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

to the family of Robert James Pumpelly.

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DIGEST

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Expresses the condolences of the legislature upon the death of Lake Charles businessman Robert James Pumpelly.