

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY SENATOR PRICE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Marvin Charles Gros Sr.

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that Louisiana citizens learned of the death of Marvin Gros Sr. on May 30, 2020, at the age of seventy-one; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Gros Sr. was born on December 10, 1948, in Donaldsonville, Louisiana, to Ridley Gros Sr. and Ezal Daigle Gros; and

WHEREAS, after he graduated from Ascension Catholic High School in 1966, as Salutatorian, and from Nicholls State University in 1970, he started a successful insurance agency; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from the family's insurance business, he obtained a Doctorate of Law from Southern University Law Center in 1990 where he graduated second in his class of 167 students, and upon graduating, he opened his law practice which specialized in personal injury, bankruptcy, social security, and corporate law; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Gros Sr. became licensed to practice in all parishes of Louisiana, the Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of the United States, as well as the 1st and 5th Circuit Court of Appeals and on June 5, 2017, he received an admission to the Supreme Court of the United States; and

WHEREAS, he joined many organizations which would allow him to serve his community such as the Best Attorneys of America, the 23rd Judicial Bar Association, was appointed by Governor Foster to the Capital Area Human Services District in 1999, appointed as a member of the Louisiana Bar Foundation and a Cornerstone Member, and became a member of the Baton Rouge Bar Association and the American Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Gros Sr.'s belief in giving back to his community was often acknowledged in various awards he received such as being honored as the National District

Justice of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity during his senior year in law school, being elected President of the Donaldsonville Chapter of the Jaycees and at the age of twenty-four he was elected President of the Louisiana Jaycees becoming the youngest state president in the nation, and he was named one of Louisiana's Outstanding Young Men in 1976; and

WHEREAS, he was named the Donaldsonville Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 2017 and received the Commander's Award from the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Gros Sr. was actively involved in fundraisers for his church, Ascension Catholic, raising over \$100,000 to contribute to the programs of the church and its school; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Myra Nichols Gros; a daughter, Casey Gros Hood; two sons, Marvin C. Gros Jr. (Jill), and Aaron J. Gros (Dana); and eight grandchildren, Alyssa Gros, Alex Gros, Sage Reine, Brennan Gros, Landon Gros, Cade Hernandez, Cadence Hood, and Blake Hood Jr.; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, brother Ridley Gros Jr., and stepson, Chad Nichols; and

WHEREAS, the communities of Ascension Parish and the City of Donaldsonville, decided to celebrated his 70th birthday, by proclaiming December 10, 2018, as "Marvin Gros Sr. Day" in honor and appreciation of him and his service to them; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana has lost one of its finest gentlemen with the passing of Marvin Charles Gros Sr.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend sincere condolences to the family of Marvin Charles Gros Sr. on the occasion of his death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to his wife, Myra Nichols Gros.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES