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Regular Session, 2010

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY SENATOR BROOME

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Ed Buggs, television and radio personality.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Baton
3	Rouge television and radio personality, Ed Buggs.
4	WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that the death of Ed Buggs on May 5, 2010, at
5	age fifty-five, has been learned; and
6	WHEREAS, with a motto of "mic with a mission", he had one of the most
7	recognizable voices in television and radio; and
8	WHEREAS, while Edward Claude Buggs, Jr., was born in New Orleans to Edward
9	Claude "Sarge" Buggs and Hazel F. Buggs, he was raised in Baton Rouge and graduated
10	Glen Oaks High School, attended Southern University and Louisiana State University, and
11	graduated from Columbia School of Broadcasting in Los Angeles, California; and
12	WHEREAS, he began his professional career in Baton Rouge with WBRZ Channel
13	2 at the age of nineteen as a reporter and weekend anchor, breaking the color barrier as an
14	anchor; moved to anchoring evening news in Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, and later in New
15	Orleans, before returning to Baton Rouge as a long-time news anchor at WBRZ-TV, from
16	1974 to 1994; and
17	WHEREAS, while an anchor at WBRZ, the program was selected for the Pulitzer,
18	Dupont Columbia, and Scripps-Howard awards, the most prestigious in television news; and

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1	WHEREAS, as a radio talk show host, he was a household name with the Ed Buggs
2	Show, having an informative, thought provoking, and entertaining format, on WJBO-AM
3	in 1997 and later at WIBR-AM, 1300 AM; and
4	WHEREAS, Ed Buggs ended each of his talk show broadcasts with "If you're living
5	your life as if there is no God you better be right. Shalom "; and
6	WHEREAS, he had an entrepreneurial spirit and engaged in a variety of business
7	ventures from real estate to clothing manufacturing, more recently participating as a
8	principal in the acquisition and management of broadcast properties and being a motivational
9	speaker: and
10	WHEREAS, Ed Buggs was involved in his community extensively, being the
11	recipient of numerous awards; and
12	WHEREAS, he was a Christian who openly professed his faith through Bible study
13	groups, church, and participation in a prison ministry, always striving to improve the lives
14	of others; and
15	WHEREAS, Ed Buggs was a loving and kind individual who loved Baton Rouge;
16	and
17	WHEREAS, while being preceded in death by his father, he is survived by his
18	mother, Hazel F. Buggs; former wife, Debby Herman Buggs; brother, Clarence Buggs;
19	sister, Jacentha Buggs-Morrison and husband Bob Morrison; nephews, Robert and Edward
20	Morrison; niece, Gabrielle Morrison; and godsister, Rosalind Wright; and
21	WHEREAS, Ed Buggs was a local legend and trail-blazing pioneer who will be
22	missed by his family, friends, and all who had the opportunity to know him.
23	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
24	express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Ed Buggs.
25	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
26	family of Edward Claude Buggs, Jr.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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