

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 123

BY SENATOR HEWITT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Ray Dupuy, posthumously, for his service to the Slidell Police force and community.

WHEREAS, Ray Joseph Dupuy Jr. was born in Marksville, Louisiana, to Ray Dupuy Sr. and Dorothy Dupuy on October 8, 1964; he lost his father when he was four and then the family moved to Slidell, Louisiana, where he attended St. Tammany Jr. High and graduated from Salmen High School in 1982; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Ray Dupuy met the love of his life, Connie, and they were married in August 1989; in 1989, he enlisted in the United States Navy and was a flight deck operator; and in 1990 the Dupuys moved to Lemoore, California, until 1993, when they returned to Slidell to be close to their families; and

WHEREAS, in September 1994, Ray Dupuy joined the Slidell Police Department and served for twenty-three years, earning the rank of lieutenant, until his accident; he was passionate about his job as a police officer and loved his job almost as much as he loved his family; during his service he was a hostage negotiations officer, supervisor for the train wreck team, supervisor for the fatality team, "Booze and Cruise" program, taught at the police academy, and mentored many children in the St. Tammany Parish School System - police work and service was his calling; and

WHEREAS, he and Connie raised four beautiful children: Darryl, Jessica, Krysten, and Ray III with two sons-in-law: Cory (Jessica's husband) and Russell (Krysten's husband); and

WHEREAS, Ray did all he could to volunteer with his children's sports teams and did everything to make every birthday, holiday, and special event for his family, his favorite family gathering and vacation being Disney World, every year or every other year; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, 2011, 2013, Ray and Connie became grandparents and in August 2018 a fourth grandchild is expected; the grandchildren have brought so much joy to their lives and he enjoyed being the best grandfather and making memories; and

WHEREAS, the past few years, Ray and Connie had been enjoying their family and traveling and they were looking forward to retiring and enjoying life; they always lived their life to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, Ray Dupuy was an awesome son, brother, husband, dad, uncle, grandfather, policeman, community leader, and a great friend to many.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ray Dupuy, posthumously, for his service to the Slidell Police force and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Connie Dupuy.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE