

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

BY SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Glen Edward Bonin.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the Legislature of Louisiana learned of the passing of Glen Edward Bonin, a resident of Sulphur, Louisiana, on May 31, 2020, at age eighty-nine; and

WHEREAS, Glenn Edward Bonin was born on September 23, 1930, in Lake Charles, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, he was a graduate of Lafayette High School and a Golden Glove boxer, and attended USL (The University of Southwestern Louisiana), now UL, at Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, after marrying the love of his life, Georgia Bonin, they moved to Sulphur where they raised their children; and

WHEREAS, he served in the United States National Guard for eight years; and

WHEREAS, Glen was the owner of Bonin Construction for over fifty years until his retirement in 1991; and

WHEREAS, he was a Charter Member of the Maplewood-Hollywood Lions Club, holding positions as President and Board Member; his love of the Lions Club brought him to Louisiana Lions Club Crippled Children's Camp where he held positions as President, among others, and received the Golden Star Staff Member Award, and "Lion of the Year" in 1970-1971 and 1986-1987; and

WHEREAS, Glen was instrumental in organizing the Sulphur High School Leo Club as well as the national Leo Club where he served as an advisor for nine years; and

WHEREAS, he was the charter director of the Louisiana Lion's Eye Foundation in New Orleans, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Glen was presented a life membership in the Maplewood-Hollywood Lion's club on February 11, 1994, and received the Philanthropist of the Year award in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Glen was also one of the founding members of Care Help of Sulphur as well as the Community Thanksgiving Dinner; he was honored as the first Father of the Year by the Treadors at Sulphur High School in 1968, and also served as President of Sulphur High School Band Boosters, Chairman of Moving and Building of Brimstone Museum, Chairman of West Calcasieu BiCentennial, Charter President of the Brimstone Historical Museum, Board Member and President of the West Calcasieu Chamber of Commerce and member for fifty years, Board Member of the Sulphur Industrial Board for six years, Board Member of the Chamber Southwest from 1985-1987, Charter President of Louisiana Western Corridor, Inc. (Hwy 171), Board Member of the Calcasieu Parish Industrial Board from 1978-1980, Board Member of Summit Hospital, and Board Member of the Sabine River Authority; and

WHEREAS, he received the Citizen of the Year award in 1987 and the Volunteer of the Year award in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Glen was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church for over sixty years; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Hill and Rena Bonin; brother, Hill Bonin Jr.; son-in-law, Tommy Jeansonne; and granddaughter, Mandy Jeansonne Poche'; and

WHEREAS, Glen is survived by his loving wife of sixty-nine years, Georgia Bonin; children, Billy J. Bonin and wife Myra, Glenda Bonin Jeansonne, Lisa Bonin Schram and husband Gus, and Michael R. Bonin and wife, Darlene Gautreaux Bonin; nine grandchildren; eighteen great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; sister, Nada Bonin Landry; special friend and caregiver, Tony Hogan; and a host of nieces and nephews, to cherish his memory; and

WHEREAS, Glen Edward Bonin was a singular individual with a generous nature, blessed with an abundance of determination and skills; he extended courtesy to all, and leaves a rich and unique legacy of good works to his family, community, and state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Glen Edward Bonin and does hereby acknowledge his lifelong commitment to his community, state, and nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to his wife, Georgia Bonin.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES