

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 209

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Richard Bartholomew "Dick" Farmer, III.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of Representatives has learned of the death, on May 24, 2022, of Richard Bartholomew "Dick" Farmer, III, after a courageous eighteen-year-long battle with Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, Dick was a proud alumni of Jesuit High School and the University of New Orleans; he was a founding member of the Beta Xi Chapter of Theta Xi Fraternity, and he was especially fond of his fraternity brothers; and

WHEREAS, after completing his undergraduate studies, Dick attended Loyola School of Dentistry in New Orleans; he also served proudly in the United States Air Force where he attained the rank of major; and

WHEREAS, Dick lived around the country during his military service, and his favorite post was in Alaska; he fondly remembered his hunting, fishing, camping, and snow mobile adventures; and

WHEREAS, Dick eventually returned to New Orleans to open an orthodontic practice; he was also a dedicated member of the Catholic church who served as a lector, Eucharistic minister, and choir member at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church; he and his wife also helped couples prepare for marriage, and he was active with the church's ministry for the poor; he also volunteered at Children's Hospital where he treated children with cleft palettes; and

WHEREAS, Richard Bartholomew "Dick" Farmer, III, leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Toni Danna Farmer; children, Melissa Farmer Rooney, and her husband

Michael, Michelle Farmer Mincey, and her husband Buddy Jr., and Robb Bryan Farmer, and his wife Debbie; grandchildren, Tyler, and his wife Hayden, Morgan, Alex, Dominic, Madison, and her husband Landon, Megan, Brielle, William, and Matthew; great-grandchild, James Rooney; siblings, Susan Farmer Koehler, and her husband Steve, Brenda Farmer Erfurdt, and her husband Roger, and Ronald Barry Farmer, and his wife Donna; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, and cousins; he will be deeply missed, but certainly never forgotten.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Richard Bartholomew "Dick" Farmer, III; does hereby further recognize his unrelenting selflessness and commitment to his community and country; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and loved ones find comfort during this difficult time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Richard Bartholomew "Dick" Farmer, III.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES