

2023 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32

BY SENATOR FOIL

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Jack Bradford Parker.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
3 passing of Jack Bradford Parker.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Jack Bradford Parker was born on June 15, 1931, in Monroe,
5 Louisiana, to A.D. and Ethel Parker; and

6 WHEREAS, he was also affectionately known during his lifetime as "Dad", "Pop",
7 "Grampy", "Mr. Jack", "Doc", and "Dean Parker"; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker graduated from Neville High School, where he was an
9 all-state offensive guard; and

10 WHEREAS, he played for Coach A.L. "Red" Swanson at Southwestern Louisiana
11 University; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker proudly served this country by attending boot camp in the
13 Marine Corps Reserve after his junior year of high school, and the Air Force in Korea at
14 Johnson Air Force Base from 1950 to 1953; and

15 WHEREAS, after returning home, he continued his education and received a masters
16 degree in social work and a doctorate in criminal justice; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker started the criminal justice program at Louisiana State
18 University; and

1 WHEREAS, he served as director of mental health training, Capital Regional mental
2 health consultant, executive director of the Capital Regional Mental Health Planning
3 Commission, professor at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, and head of the
4 Department of Criminal Justice and dean of the General College, also at LSU; and

5 WHEREAS, in his retirement, he served as a volunteer at the Baton Rouge Crisis
6 Center; and

7 WHEREAS, Jack Parker married his best friend, Marianne Parker, on December 26,
8 1957; and

9 WHEREAS, he was an unwaveringly supportive, loving father and grandfather to
10 Bruce Parker, Debra Parker, Polly Parker Stafford, Laura Parker Hough, Madeline Parker,
11 Cameron Stafford, Wyatt Hough, and William Hough; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker was inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society,
13 the Sunrise Rotary Club of Baton Rouge, where he served as president, and the Kappa Alpha
14 Order's Court of Honor; and

15 WHEREAS, he is remembered as the dean who had faith in his students and treated
16 them with absolute kindness and respect, and made them feel important; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker loved studying history, specifically World War II, and passed
18 that admiration on to his children; and

19 WHEREAS, as a veteran, he was honored to be able to participate in a "D-Day"
20 ceremony on Normandy Beach during a recent trip to Europe; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Parker loved LSU sports, and could always be found watching the
22 football game on Saturdays in the Fall; and

23 WHEREAS, he is remembered as a hero, a treasure, and a loving husband of
24 sixty-four years.

25 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
26 does hereby express deepest condolences to the family of Dr. Jack Parker upon the occasion
27 of his death.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
29 Mrs Marianne Parker.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Whitney Kauffeld.

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