

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 101

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIGUEZ AND SENATOR FRED MILLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Paul Maraist.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing of Paul Maraist; and

WHEREAS, Paul Maraist was born on October 6, 1938, in St. Martin Parish; he worked for many years in the automotive industry and retired as a mechanic; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Maraist was incredibly proud of his country and served honorably as a member of the United States National Guard; he was a dedicated member of the Knights of Columbus and Woodmen of the World; he took part in many presentations of flags with Woodmen of the World; and

WHEREAS, Paul volunteered frequently with Habitat for Humanity and helped the organization build a house in Georgia and one in Kentucky; in addition to his incredible commitment to community service, he was also attentive to his civic duties and remained engaged in both local and state politics; and

WHEREAS, Paul's greatest pride was his family, and he truly cherished his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; he loved cooking and gathering with friends and family to share meals and tell stories; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Maraist brought happiness and friendship wherever he went; he leaves to cherish his beautiful memory his son, Lawrence J. Maraist, and his wife Sarah; daughters, Sherrie Wedlake, and her husband Richard, Lorrie M. Poirier, and her husband David, and Christine M. Vann, and her husband Karl; grandchildren, Spencer M. Poirier, Nigel P. Wedlake, and his wife Alainie, Dustin J. Maraist, and his wife Molly, Coy Poirier, and his wife Courtlyn, Bryce M. Vann, Harley E. Vann, Kailey M. Trahan, and her husband

Jacob, and Katherine W. Longman, and her husband Ryan; and great-grandchildren, Sophia R. Poirier, Easton Trahan, Beckett Trahan, Tucker Maraist, Sawyer Vann, and two on the way; he will be deeply missed but certainly never forgotten.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Paul Maraist and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and loved ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE