

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 84

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Patrick "Pat" King.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing, on September 21, 2023, of Patrick "Pat" King; and

WHEREAS, Patrick "Pat" King was born on March 13, 1978, to Mickey and Patty King; he attended Bowling Green School in Franklinton, Louisiana, and was a star on the basketball court; after graduating in 1996, he received an offer to play collegiate basketball at Mississippi College; and

WHEREAS, after college, Pat began a coaching career that spanned more than twenty years and saw him lead teams with Bowling Green School, Oak Forest Academy, and most recently, the Pontchartrain Christian Athletics Homeschool Association; he dedicated his professional life in service to his community as a coach, educator, and mentor to thousands of young Louisianians, and he achieved an outstanding record during his coaching career; and

WHEREAS, at Bowling Green School, Coach Pat led both the Buccaneers and Lady Buccaneers basketball teams to numerous playoff seasons and state finals appearances; he also led the Lady Buccaneers to a state title in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Pat married the love of his life, Mandy Sessions King, on May 21, 2005; he was a devoted husband to his wife and an outstanding father to their daughters, Reese and Rylie; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King was a student of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, a youth pastor, and the pastor of Grace Heritage Baptist Church in Franklinton; he joined the ministry in 2019 and was incredibly passionate about his faith; and

WHEREAS, Patrick "Pat" King leaves to cherish his beautiful memory his wife, Mandy Sessions King; daughters, Anna Reese King and Rylie Mikenzie King; parents, Mickey King and Patricia Edwards King; mother-in-law, Sylvia Stogner (Winston); sister, Brittany Sessions (Matt); nieces and nephews, Megan Martin, Samantha Newman, Daniel Martin, Jared Newman, Mackayla Dykes, Jaxton Sessions, Jaelyn Sessions, and Jennings Sessions; great-nieces and great-nephews, Haydin Grace, Kyler Mack, Anniston, Alec, and Creed; and a host of beloved aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends; 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 Patrick "Pat" King; does hereby recognize Coach Pat as one of the most influential coaches in Washington Parish history; 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