

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 236

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

CONDOLENCES: Expresses the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Phil Alexander Robertson

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Phil  
3 Alexander Robertson.

4 WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of  
5 Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing, on May 25, 2025,  
6 of Phil Alexander Robertson; and

7 WHEREAS, Phil Alexander Robertson was born on April 24, 1946, in Vivian,  
8 Louisiana, to James and Merritt Robertson, and his life was defined by hard work,  
9 redemption, deep faith, and unshakable family values; and

10 WHEREAS, Phil and his high school sweetheart, Kay Carroway, started a family in  
11 Ruston, Louisiana; he attended Louisiana Tech University, where he played quarterback for  
12 the Bulldogs football team and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in education; and

13 WHEREAS, as a young man, Phil struggled to gain control of his life, but with the  
14 unwavering support of his wife and his sister, Jan, he found the love of Christ and never  
15 turned back; he devoted his life to Jesus at the age of twenty-eight and began building a life  
16 and career around the things he cherished most: hunting, family, and faith; and

17 WHEREAS, above all else, Phil Robertson cared most about helping to guide lost  
18 souls to the love of Jesus, and he baptized thousands and inspired millions more; his spiritual  
19 transformation impacted not only his life, but also the lives of his family and countless  
20 others; and

1           WHEREAS, Phil invented a double-reeded duck call in 1972, and soon after, he  
2 founded Duck Commander; he entered the entertainment industry by creating duck hunting  
3 videos entitled, "The Duckmen of Louisiana", which led to his role in the successful  
4 television show *Duck Dynasty*; the show centered on his family and business, highlighting  
5 his motto of "Faith, Family, Ducks" and his deep love for and commitment to his wife of  
6 sixty years, Miss Kay, and his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and

7           WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson had an immensely positive economic impact on  
8 northeast Louisiana through his Duck Commander brand, and he was a truly beloved figure  
9 throughout the state; and

10           WHEREAS, left to cherish the memory of Phil Robertson are his wife, Kay  
11 Carroway Robertson; his children, Alan (Lisa), Jase (Missy), Willie (Korie), Jep (Jessica),  
12 and Phyllis Thomas (Tony); his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his  
13 brother, Si Robertson; he will be deeply missed, but the legacy of his impact on the state of  
14 Louisiana and love for his faith and family shall live on in perpetuity.

15           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
16 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Phil  
17 Alexander Robertson and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and  
18 loved ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

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