

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 236

BY REPRESENTATIVES ECHOLS, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BRAUD, BROWN, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, EMERSON, FARNUM, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREIBERG, GADBERRY, GALLE, GEYMAN, GLORIOSO, GREEN, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, HUGHES, ILLG, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LACOMBE, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCMAHEN, MCMAKIN, MELERINE, MENA, MILLER, MOORE, MUSCARELLO, ORGERON, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, STAGNI, TARVER, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, VENTRELLA, VILLIO, WILDER, WILEY, WILLARD, WRIGHT, WYBLE, YOUNG, AND ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

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

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 May 25, 2025, of Phil Alexander Robertson; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, above all else, Phil Robertson cared most about helping to guide lost souls to the love of Jesus, and he baptized thousands and inspired millions more; his spiritual

transformation impacted not only his life, but also the lives of his family and countless others; and

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

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

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Phil Alexander Robertson 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