

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 143

BY SENATORS GARY SMITH AND ALARIO AND REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Stephen M. "Coach" Crovetto.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana learned of the death of Stephen M. "Coach" Crovetto on Friday, April 25, 2014, at the age of sixty-three; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crovetto was a native of Westwego and a resident of Luling; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from Archbishop Shaw High School in Marrero in 1969 and received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1974; and

WHEREAS, he began his career as a teacher and coach at Shaw High School from 1974 to 1977 where he taught physical science, and served as the offensive coordinator for the football team as well as the head track coach; and

WHEREAS, from 1977 to 1978, he taught biology at West Jefferson High School and coached the football team's offense, defense, and kicking team; and

WHEREAS, from 1978 to 1983, Mr. Crovetto taught physical science, biology, and chemistry at Hahnville High School, was the athletic director and the head football coach, and was named Coach of the Year for the 1980-1981 season; and

WHEREAS, as the head football coach for the Hahnville High School Tigers, he led the team in the last game played at the old stadium, had an undefeated season in 1980, and returned as the offensive coordinator in 1994 and played an integral role in the Tigers becoming the undefeated District 5A state champions; and

WHEREAS, from 1983 to 1987, he was the offensive coordinator of the Nicholls State University Colonels football team, and was instrumental in the Colonels becoming the

Gulf Star Conference champions in 1984; and

WHEREAS, from 1987 to 1994, Mr. Crovetto taught physical science, was the head football coach, and the athletic director at H. L. Bourgeois High School, and during his tenure there was named Coach of the Year in 1987 and 1991, and was nominated for Teacher of the Year from 1987 to 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crovetto was a teacher and coach in the St. Charles Parish school system for twenty-one and one half years; and

WHEREAS, he organized a campaign to pass a millage for the construction of the current Hahnville High School stadium and field houses, and was instrumental in implementing the "wild card" system into the Louisiana High School Athletic Association football playoff competitions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crovetto was a member of the St. Charles Parish School Board from 1999 to 2010, and served as the board president for two terms in 2001 and 2009; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from teaching and coaching, Mr. Crovetto focused on his small business, Cro & Associates, Inc., that handled local real estate dealings and contracted with parish governments for weed control; and

WHEREAS, as a teacher, coach, school board member, and community activist, Mr. Crovetto was a consummate leader in his community and will be sorely missed; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his loving wife, Stacy Boudreaux Crovetto, and two children, Stevie Michelle and Giuseppe Nolman Crovetto; and

WHEREAS, he was a gentleman who was admired by all whose lives he touched, and who leaves behind a rich and unique legacy; and

WHEREAS, although the death of Stephen M. "Coach" Crovetto has left a tremendous void in his community, his memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved him.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Stephen M. "Coach" Crovetto, does hereby recognize and record for posterity his accomplishments and contributions, and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that he will forever bring to his family, friends, community, and the state of Louisiana.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Stephen M. "Coach" Crovetto.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES