

1 WHEREAS, for more than three decades, Kate was a true resource for all House
2 members and staff because of her expertise and professional ability, and her long-term
3 knowledge of the legislative process was of invaluable assistance; and

4 WHEREAS, Kate Lemon played a formative role in shaping and maintaining the
5 unique role that the library plays in strengthening and preserving the legislative institution;
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7 WHEREAS, Kate was a vital part of the team of talented librarians that won the 2006
8 Legislative Staff Achievement Award from the Legislative Research Librarians Staff Section
9 of the National Conference of State Legislatures for their special efforts and successes
10 following the disasters of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

11 WHEREAS, with the death of Kate Lemon, Louisiana has lost one of her most gifted
12 daughters, one whose contributions to the Legislature of Louisiana were closely tied to some
13 of the most important times in its history; and

14 WHEREAS, Kate is missed greatly by the members and staff of the Louisiana House
15 of Representatives and the Louisiana Senate, many of whom were blessed to know her as
16 a friend and confidante, and she will always be fondly remembered for the genuine interest
17 and regard she exhibited for those with whom she worked, her readiness to assist in whatever
18 project might benefit from her vast knowledge, and her singular wit and wisdom; and

19 WHEREAS, Kate was preceded in death by her parents and an infant brother and is
20 survived by several cousins, an aunt, devoted friends in Baton Rouge and many other cities,
21 and her beloved "boys", Buck and T.C., her prized Maine Coon cats; and

22 WHEREAS, the debt of the people of Louisiana to Kate Lemon is indeed great, for
23 through her mastery of her profession and particularly through her dedication to the
24 Legislature of Louisiana, she left an indelible mark on not only those fortunate enough to
25 know her but for all those who will walk the halls of the Capitol after her and who feel the
26 lasting impact of her wonderful legacy.

27 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
28 commemorate the life of our friend Kathryn Ellen "Kate" Lemon, senior librarian in the
29 David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library and thirty-three year member of the staff of
30 the Louisiana House of Representatives; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her

1 significant contributions to the legislature through her outstanding abilities, unwavering
2 integrity, and the friendship and able assistance she generously gave to all who worked with
3 her; and does hereby express the deep regret of the entire legislative family upon the loss of
4 this extraordinary individual who served this institution so long and so well.

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