

2017 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 82

BY SENATOR COLOMB

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences on the death of Robert Godwin Sr.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the  
3 death of Robert Godwin Sr., a man of character known for his good deeds and kind  
4 heart.

5 WHEREAS, Robert Godwin Sr. was a compassionate person filled with the milk of  
6 human kindness, a true gentleman, and genuine friend to all; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Godwin, at the age of seventy-four, tragically and senselessly lost  
8 his life on Sunday, April 16, 2017, while walking home following an Easter meal with his  
9 children in Cleveland, Ohio; and

10 WHEREAS, a retired foundry worker and father of ten with fourteen grandchildren,  
11 he taught his family the importance of forgiveness; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Godwin loved fishing at Lake Erie and often was seen walking  
13 around with a plastic bag in his hand as he collected aluminum cans he saw on the ground;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Robert Godwin Sr. was the embodiment of the joy of living, *joie de*  
16 *vivre*, empathy, strength, and comfort; the genuine article, a true altruist who cared for  
17 everyone, and whose compassion for his fellow man knew no bounds; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Godwin was struck down on Easter Sunday 2017, not by the

1 ravages of time, but by the heinous act of another, someone who snuffed out his light  
2 needlessly and thoughtlessly; and

3 WHEREAS, upon his untimely death, the Cleveland, Ohio community lost a unique  
4 individual who left an indelible mark upon the lives of all who knew and loved him and  
5 benefitted from his thoughtfulness and generous spirit.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
7 does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Robert  
8 Godwin Sr., whose passing leaves a tear in the fabric of Cleveland and in the hearts of his  
9 children, grandchildren, and all who knew and loved this remarkable man.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
11 family of Robert Godwin Sr.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Nancy Vicknair.

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