

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 184

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER AND TERRY LANDRY

A RESOLUTION

To commend posthumously Kevin Patrick Kane, president and founder of the Pelican Institute for Public Policy.

WHEREAS, it was with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Louisiana House of Representatives learned of the death of Kevin Patrick Kane, a resident of New Orleans, at the age of fifty; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane received a bachelors degree in English from Tulane University, where he served as captain and president of the rugby team; he earned his Juris Doctor from Loyola University Law School; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Mr. Kane founded the Pelican Institute for Public Policy to help Louisiana recover from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita by promoting innovative policy solutions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane strived to carry out the mission of the Pelican Institute for Public Policy to conduct scholarly research and analysis to advance public policies based on free enterprise, individual liberty, and constitutionally limited government; and

WHEREAS, under his effective leadership, the Pelican Institute for Public Policy became a pioneer for free market policies and school choice; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane was a distinguished ambassador for Louisiana, as he attended many national conferences and conventions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane was an advocate for charter schools; and

WHEREAS, he played a seminal role in the Louisiana Justice Reinvestment Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane will be remembered as being a thoughtful, intelligent, witty, and principled man who loved Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, he found joy in New Orleans music, festivals, reading, and watching the New Orleans Saints; and

WHEREAS, he served as an elder for St. Charles Presbyterian Church, a board member for the Choice Foundation and Center for Development and Learning, a fellow for the Loyola Institute of Politics, and a member of the Rotary Club and the Stratford Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane is survived by his loving wife, Lesley Vance Kane, and his daughters, Margaret and Vivian Kane.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend posthumously Kevin Patrick Kane; does hereby recognize that he will forever be remembered, respected, and admired by the many citizens whose lives he touched; and does hereby extend sincere appreciation for the deep pride and honor that this truly remarkable gentleman brought to his family and friends, his community, and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Kevin Patrick Kane.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES