

2018 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY SENATORS WARD AND PRICE

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Charles Rodney Prejean Sr.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Charles
3 Rodney "Rod" Prejean Sr.

4 WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana
5 and the members of the Louisiana Legislature have learned of the passing of Charles Rodney
6 Prejean Sr., age eighty-five, on Good Friday, March 30, 2018, after a lengthy battle with
7 Alzheimer's disease; and

8 WHEREAS, Charles Rodney Prejean Sr. was born on June 9, 1932, to Emile Travis
9 Prejean Jr. and Beulah Guerin Prejean, and was a lifelong resident of Brusly, Louisiana; and

10 WHEREAS, he was a United States Marine Corps veteran who served in the Korean
11 War; and

12 WHEREAS, Rod was a respected businessman in the insurance industry for over
13 fifty-five years as a manager, co-owner, and owner of many agencies, with the final
14 twenty-nine years as owner of Rod Prejean & Associates, Inc.; he was an independent agent
15 and held the designation of Certified Life Underwriter; and

16 WHEREAS, he served the town of Brusly as an alderman for twelve years and as
17 mayor for eight years; he also served on the board of the Louisiana Municipal Association
18 for five years and as its president for one year; and

1 WHEREAS, very active in his community, Rod coached the Addis V.F.W. team for
2 the K.C. Basketball league, was a member of the Brusly Lions Club for many years and
3 served as its president, was a member of the American Legion, the Addis V.F.W., was a
4 member and president of the West Side Golf Club, was a founding member of the Brusly
5 Panther Paws, serving as the organization's first president, was the "Voice of the Brusly
6 Panthers", announcing football games for more than twenty-five years; and

7 WHEREAS, he was honored to be one of the first athletes inducted into the Brusly
8 High School Hall of Fame; and

9 WHEREAS, throughout his adult life, Charles Rodney Prejean Sr. served his church,
10 St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Brusly, as an usher, lector, as a member of the Parish
11 Council, and as a member of the Diocesan Pastoral Council; and

12 WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by parents, Emile Jr. and Beulah Guerin
13 Prejean; sister, Carol Reeves; and brothers, E. T. Prejean III, and Wayne Prejean Sr.; and

14 WHEREAS, a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and brother
15 whose love of family was of utmost importance in his life, Charles Rodney Prejean Sr. is
16 survived by his loving wife of sixty-two years, Beverly Daigle Prejean; daughters, Debra
17 Salvadras and husband Ronnie, and Michelle Stein and husband Darrin; sons, Charles R.
18 ""Chuck"" Prejean and wife Alena, Gordon Prejean and wife Jeannie, Michael Prejean and
19 wife Sonya, and Brian Prejean and wife Lynn; eleven grandchildren, Corey Salvadras,
20 Valerie Prejean Bernard, Chad Prejean, Courtney Salvadras DiBenedetto, Natalie Prejean
21 Guidroz, Kayla Prejean Vincent, Jordan Prejean, Jillian Prejean Courville, Jade Prejean
22 McCune, Victoria Stein, and Brooke Stein; and ten great-grandchildren and two on the way;
23 brother, James Prejean and wife Betty; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Kenny and
24 Lynn Carr, Ed and Carol Floyd, Pat Daigle, and Eugene Reeves; and

25 WHEREAS, his numerous accomplishments in public and private life reflected his
26 dedication, compassion, and commitment to others; and

27 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities,
28 and the overall vitality of American Society depend, in great measure, upon people like
29 Charles Rodney Prejean Sr.

30 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana honors the life

1 and service of Charles Rodney Prejean Sr., acknowledges his lasting contributions to the
2 improvement of his community, recognizes him as an extraordinary man who will long be
3 remembered, pays tribute to his remarkable legacy which will live long in the hearts of
4 the many people whose lives he touched, and extends sincere condolences to his family.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
6 Beverly Daigle Prejean.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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