

2018 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 160

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Leslie B. Lampton.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
3 death of Leslie B. Lampton of Jackson, Mississippi.

4 WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that the citizens and the Senate of the Legislature
5 of Louisiana have learned of the death of Leslie B. Lampton at the age of ninety-two; and

6 WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Leslie Lampton Sr. and Jinx
7 Anastasia Porcine Lampton, his sister Jennie Dehmer, and his niece Diane Dehmer Dinkins;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, he is survived by his loving wife Dorothy Lee Crum Lampton (Dodie);
10 children Leslie B. Lampton III, Lee Crum Lampton, William W. Lampton (Bill), Robert H.
11 Lampton, their spouses, ten grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and a nephew; and

12 WHEREAS, happily married for sixty-nine years, he met his loving wife Dodie in
13 junior high school in 1940, and they were married on May 8, 1948; and

14 WHEREAS, after serving in the Navy during World War II and the Korean Conflict
15 and graduating from Ole Miss, Mr. Lampton returned to his hometown of Jackson,
16 Mississippi, with a plan to enter the oil business; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Lampton was a businessman, philanthropist, and founder of Ergon,
18 the energy-based company he established in 1954; and

1 WHEREAS, he served at the helm of Ergon and oversaw its growth into an empire
2 that provides jobs to over two thousand six hundred employees in Mississippi, along with
3 twenty-nine other states, and several countries; and

4 WHEREAS, while other businesses were moving to Texas during the oil boom years,
5 Mr. Lampton made a commitment to remain in Mississippi; and

6 WHEREAS, he was a generous man and supported countless charities, including
7 medical, educational, and religious organizations in the communities where Ergon has a
8 presence; and

9 WHEREAS, during recent hurricanes, floods, and storms, Ergon, under Mr.
10 Lampton's guidance, served meals to over fifteen thousand first responders and relief
11 workers; and

12 WHEREAS, he also organized meals for the state's Department of Transportation
13 employees who were working countless hours on road and infrastructure reconstruction; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Lampton was a member of the Catholic Church and his faith was
15 the guiding influence in his life; and

16 WHEREAS, the death of Mr. Lampton has left an abiding void in the many lives he
17 touched throughout his life, and his memory shall remain eternal in the hearts and minds of
18 all those who knew and loved him.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
20 does hereby extend its heartfelt condolences upon the death of Leslie B. Lampton and does
21 hereby extend appreciation for his enduring legacy of service that will continue to inspire
22 a new generation of business leaders and be a source of great pride and honor for his family
23 and his community.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
25 family of Leslie B. Lampton.

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