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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90

BY REPRESENTATIVE FALCONER

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes December 4, 2018, as Helping Parents Heal Day

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To recognize Tuesday, December 4, 2018, as Helping Parents Heal Day in Louisiana and to
3	honor grieving parents and siblings who have experienced the loss of a child.
4	WHEREAS, parents and siblings who have lost a son, daughter, brother, or sister are
5	especially prone to an experience of grief and mourning that is acute and enduring; and
6	WHEREAS, given that the presence of children alters the way that families see the
7	world, the death of a child is one of the most horrible nightmares a parent or sibling can
8	experience; and
9	WHEREAS, the child that the family once enjoyed and deeply loved can never be
10	lost because the child became a part of who they are; and
11	WHEREAS, the mourning process includes acknowledging the experiences that the
12	child will be unable to enjoy; and
13	WHEREAS, some comfort can be found in the fact that every child's life has a
14	purpose and value that can never be lost even in the face of tragedy; and
15	WHEREAS, Helping Parents Heal, and its affiliate organization in Louisiana,
16	understands how a grieving parent or sibling feels; and
17	WHEREAS, Helping Parents Heal is dedicated to assisting grieving parents and
18	siblings in the healing process by providing support and resources; and
19	WHEREAS, Helping Parents Heal also assists in the healing process by facilitating
20	open discussions of spiritual experiences in a nondogmatic way; and

1 WHEREAS, Helping Parents Heal helps parents and siblings realize that their 2 children, brothers, and sisters can remain vibrant parts of their lives; and 3 WHEREAS, Helping Parents Heal helps parents and siblings come to terms with the 4 reality that their children are not dead, but living, much like a seemingly "dead" flower is 5 instead a transplanted one that blooms in more vibrant colors and sweeter shades than the 6 flowers on earth. 7 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 8 recognize Tuesday, December 4, 2018, as Helping Parents Heal Day in Louisiana, and 9 hereby honors grieving parents and siblings who have experienced the loss of a child. 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 11 to Jason Durham on behalf of his daughter Bailey Caroline Durham and to the Louisiana 12 affiliate of Helping Parents Heal.

## **DIGEST**

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