

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

BY REPRESENTATIVES BILLIOT, CONNICK, AND LYONS AND SENATOR
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Oristile Horace
"O.H." Guidry, III.

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the
Legislature of Louisiana were saddened to learn of the death on May 27, 2018, of Oristile
Horace "O.H." Guidry, III, at the age of eighty-seven; and

WHEREAS, born in New Orleans on March 9, 1931, to Oristile Horace Guidry, Jr.,
and Winnie Kling Guidry, O.H. graduated from Marrero High School and earned a
bachelor's degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana and a master of education
degree from Loyola University; he completed an additional thirty hours of graduate study
at Loyola; and

WHEREAS, O.H. answered the call of duty to his country and served in the United
States Air Force, where he rose to the rank of first lieutenant; upon discharge from the Air
Force, O.H. pursued his passion for education and was employed at East Jefferson High
School as a gifted teacher and coach; and

WHEREAS, a talented administrator, O.H. accepted employment at Marrero Junior
High School as an assistant principal; he was promoted to the position of principal at
Marrero Junior High School and was later named principal of West Jefferson High School,
where he served for eight years; and

WHEREAS, after a commendable career in shaping the minds of the youth of
Jefferson Parish, O.H. Guidry served as director of the Jefferson Parish Parks and Recreation
Department; he also won two elections to the Jefferson Parish School Board, where he
served with distinction; and

WHEREAS, O.H. Guidry was a uniquely gifted communicator, a man who loved without reservation; his indomitable and caring spirit inspired many to achieve, and his absence leaves a void that can never be filled; and

WHEREAS, those who will forever cherish his memory are his wife of sixty-four years, Lorraine Paternostro Guidry; his children, Louisiana Supreme Court Justice Greg Guidry, and his wife Cathy, Gavin, and his wife Jutana, and Gaye, and her husband Judge John Molaison; his grandchildren, Ellie, Patrick, Gavin, Jr., and Ty Guidry, and Jackson Molaison; and the many coworkers and students with whom he happily labored throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, after having answered the military call of his country and the educational call of his parish, O.H. Guidry answered a final call, the call of his Master depicted in scripture in Matthew 25:23: "Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!"; it is fitting to herald the positive impact O.H. Guidry made upon the lives of many in Jefferson Parish, and with his passing, Louisiana mourns the loss of one of her finest native sons.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Legislature of Louisiana do hereby express their deepest and most sincere condolences upon the death of Oristile Horace "O.H." Guidry, III; do hereby acknowledge his life's work with the youth of Jefferson Parish in schools and recreation; and do hereby extend best prayers and hopes for peace and comfort to those who remain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Oristile Horace Guidry, III.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE