

2020 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31

BY SENATOR MCMATH

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Captain Vincent Nat Liberto in the line of duty and posthumously recognizes his many years of dedicated service to the United States, St. Tammany Parish, and the citizens of Mandeville.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
3 death of Captain Vincent Nat "Vinnie" Liberto Jr. and to posthumously recognize his
4 many years of dedicated service to the citizens of Mandeville, St. Tammany Parish,
5 the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

6 WHEREAS, it was with a great sorrow and sadness that the Senate of the Legislature
7 of Louisiana learned of the tragic death of Mandeville Police Captain, Vincent "Vinnie"
8 Liberto Jr. on September 20, 2019, who succumbed to the injuries he encountered in the line
9 of duty at the age of fifty-eight; and

10 WHEREAS, Vincent Nat Liberto Jr. was born March 27, 1961 and raised in New
11 Orleans, Louisiana, and was a devout Catholic and lifelong Saints fan; and

12 WHEREAS, "Vinnie" Liberto Jr. was a 1979 graduate of Brother Martin High
13 School; and

14 WHEREAS, he joined the United States Marine Corps after graduation and was
15 honorably discharged as a sergeant and a decorated combat veteran of Operation Desert
16 Storm, after loyally serving his country for over ten years; and

17 WHEREAS, upon his return "Vinnie" Liberto Jr. served as a deputy with the Orleans
18 Parish Sheriff's Office for five years before he joined the Mandeville Police Department in

1 January of 1994, where he climbed through the ranks, his positions spanned from detective
2 to lieutenant, he supervised the Criminal Investigations Division and was a certified
3 polygraph examiner, and was finally promoted to captain in April of 2019; and

4 WHEREAS, Vince earned multiple prestigious awards during his years of service,
5 including Officer of the Year, Captain Liberto was also a graduate of the Federal Bureau of
6 Investigation (F.B.I.) National Academy; and

7 WHEREAS, he was a kind and gentle giant who consistently committed himself to
8 be an exemplary leader, coach, and mentor to everyone he met; a strong staple within his
9 community, and a man who was so dearly passionate, loyal, and dedicated to his family, his
10 friends, his profession, and all whom he touched; and

11 WHEREAS, he was a loving and devoted husband to his doting wife, Tracey Bayard
12 Liberto, and a dedicated father to their seven children, Vincent "Vinnie" Liberto III (Julie);
13 Chad "Joey" Liberto (Karleigh), Michael Liberto, Bailee Dean (Michael "Buckethead"),
14 Tyler McIntyre, Dominic Liberto, and Victoria "Tori" Liberto, a cherished grandfather, to
15 Aden & Hugh B. Dean and William Liberto, and a beloved son, brother, uncle, cousin,
16 nephew, family member, and friend whose love for his family and friends was of the utmost
17 importance to him in his life; and

18 WHEREAS, several of Captain Liberto's children, family, and friends are active law
19 enforcement officers and in the military; and

20 WHEREAS, Captain Vincent "Vinnie" Liberto Jr. was a stalwart, an honorable man
21 of great courage, and a public servant of the highest caliber, who died nobly in the act of
22 protecting his fellow citizens, preserving order in our society; and

23 WHEREAS, he is to be saluted for how he lived, and applauded for his dedication
24 to valor and integrity and the people of Louisiana owe this fallen officer a deep debt of
25 appreciation; and

26 WHEREAS, this hero should be honored by acknowledging his professionalism,
27 perseverance, and compassion, and forever be held as a role model for all who strive to
28 uphold the ideals of this great state and nation; and

29 WHEREAS, he is among those chosen ones, those first responders, who unselfishly
30 place themselves in harm's way to assure the safety of all, the preservation of peace, and

