

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

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A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Rosemary Searcy "Rosie" Campbell.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing of a great lady and family matriarch, Rosemary Searcy Campbell, on February 16, 2021, at the age of eighty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary was born in Lewisville, Arkansas, on April 21, 1935, to Robert Lionel Searcy and Mabel Adams Searcy; and

WHEREAS, she was a graduate of Lewisville High School, Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, and the University of Arkansas, where she earned a master's degree in psychology; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary was active in her church and community, including the Garden Guild of St. James Episcopal Church in Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, she took much joy in working in her yard, walking her dogs, cooking for others, and hosting fabulous parties, giving attention to the smallest details; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary was a true Southern lady who possessed the most generous and giving spirit, always thinking of ways she could lessen another's burden; and

WHEREAS, she is remembered as a joy-filled and gracious woman who was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, neighbor, and friend, who dedicated her life to serving others; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary was preceded in death by her loving husband of fifty-one years, John Stone Campbell Jr.; her sister, Miriam Candler "Mimi" Searcy; her mother-in-law, Thelma Kimball Campbell; her father-in-law, John Stone "Jack" Campbell; her sisters-in-law, Betty Jean Campbell James and Arden Anders Campbell; and her nephew, Kimball Andrew James; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her daughter, Miriam Campbell Jones (Bradley Ray Jones); her son, John Stone Campbell III (Amy Falcon); her grandchildren, Katherine Elizabeth "Katie" Campbell, John Stone "Jack" Campbell IV, and William Wright "Willie" Campbell; her brothers-in-law, Johnny James and Richard Michael Campbell; her niece, Camille McElmurry (Gary McElmurry); her nephews, Robert Stanford (Margie Stanford), Michael James (Dr. Kenneth Schwartz), and Richard Michael Campbell Jr. (Tonya Campbell); her honorary grandchildren, Regan Hubbell Baldwin, Michael Hubbell, and Matthew Hubbell; her beloved rescue dog, Mimi; and her many friends, all of whom will miss her dearly; and

WHEREAS, the memory of Rosemary Searcy Campbell will always remain in the hearts of her family and friends, who will forever remember her as a positive force in her community; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary represented all that is good about Louisiana as a lady with unique gifts and a charitable spirit, and with her passing, Louisiana has lost one of its finest citizens who left an indelible mark on the lives of the many individuals whom she touched with her truly inspiring qualities and generosity, and who will never be forgotten.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend its sincere and heartfelt condolences to the family of Rosemary Searcy Campbell upon the occasion of her death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express its appreciation for Rosemary Searcy Campbell's enduring contributions, which shall long continue to be a source of deep honor for the state of Louisiana and beyond, and does hereby pay tribute to her remarkable legacy, which shall live long in the hearts of those who were touched by her humanity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Rosemary Searcy Campbell.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE