

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Richard Sanders Morris Sr.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the passing of Richard Sanders Morris Sr., on April 26, 2021, at age eighty-six; and

WHEREAS, a Baton Rouge native, Richard Sanders Morris Sr. was born on April 20, 1935, in the family home on East State Street commonly known as Professors Row; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris was a graduate of University High and Louisiana State University; at LSU he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and ROTC with a shaved head and LSU beanie cap as was true of all freshman male students at the time; and

WHEREAS, he was also active in College Town Civic Association, of which he served as President, and the Thursday Night Group; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris was an active member of First Presbyterian Church in Baton Rouge, he served as an ordained Elder and Deacon; and

WHEREAS, until retirement, Richard enjoyed the role of builder constructing numerous houses and apartments in the LSU area; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris was a loving, devoted, and beloved husband, and a loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by a brother Dedric Guthrie (Buddy), and his parents Willis Dedric and Louise Livar Morris; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of sixty-six years, Cynthia Gallent Morris; his sons Richard Jr. and wife Rachel Lay, Dedric Gallent and wife Renee Griffon, and Allan Waller and wife Brenda Anderson; his grandchildren, whom he loved dearly, William Gallent and wife Ashlyn, Christine Jessica, Jackson Gallent, Jordan Griffon, and great-granddaughter Alden Katherine Morris; sister-in-law Jo Gallent, and numerous nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, having lived a long life committed to work, family, faith, and his community, Richard Sanders Morris Sr. certainly left Baton Rouge a better place than he found it and wonderful memories of him will be cherished by his wife, his family, his church, and his community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express its sincere condolences upon the death of Richard Sanders Morris Sr. of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Cynthia Gallent Morris.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE