

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 185

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Grady Brewer, head men's basketball coach at Morehouse College.

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 Morehouse College men's basketball coach Grady Brewer on May 30, 2021, at age sixty-three; and

WHEREAS, an Atlanta native, he played at Frederick Douglass High School under legendary coach Donald Dollar and was a standout player under Coach Arthur McAfee at Morehouse, lettering for four years, starting his final two seasons, and graduating in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Grady Brewer went on to serve as an assistant coach at Atlanta's Booker T. Washington High School, helping lead the Bulldogs to the 1987 Class 4A state championship and then served for thirteen years as an assistant coach at Morehouse College before taking over the head coaching role; and

WHEREAS, Grady Brewer served as the Maroon Tigers head coach for twenty-one years, compiling a career record of 315-241, second only to Coach McAfee; and

WHEREAS, he guided Morehouse College to seven twenty-win seasons, seven SIAC regular season championships, an SIAC tournament championship, and three NCAA tournament appearances; and

WHEREAS, Coach Brewer was recognized for his transformative influence on Morehouse Men as a fellow student, player, alumnus, coach, teacher, mentor, colleague, and friend by Morehouse College President David A. Thomas who said that, "Not only will his spirit continue to live on in the hearts of the Morehouse family, but his legacy will impact the sport for years to come."; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Loletta; three sons, Ryan, a 2010 Morehouse graduate; Xavier, a junior on the Morehouse basketball team, and Jordan; and

WHEREAS, Coach Grady Brewer was a great coach and an even better human being who cared deeply about the young men who played for him and made a lasting impact on their lives — both on and off the court; he will truly be missed and remembered by many.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Grady Brewer, does hereby record for posterity his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions, and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that this wonderful man will forever bring to his family, friends, players, and college.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to his widow, Loletta Brewer.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE