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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 187

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKNIGHT

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences on the death of Paul Slocomb West

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Paul Slocomb
3	West.
4	WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness and regret that the House of Representatives
5	has learned of the death of Paul Slocomb West; and
6	WHEREAS, Mr. West was a native of St. Petersburg, Florida; he moved to Louisiana
7	to attend Louisiana State University, and after earning his bachelor's degree, he made Baton
8	Rouge his home; he also attended law school at LSU's Paul M. Hebert Law Center, where
9	he was a member of the Louisiana Law Review and the top student in his graduating class;
10	and
11	WHEREAS, Mr. West's exceptional ability as a lawyer was evident early in his
12	career, and in 1992 he was elected the Louisiana State Bar Association's Outstanding Young
13	Lawyer; he continued to excel throughout his entire career, serving as president of the Baton
14	Rouge Bar Association in 1998 and president of the International Association of Gaming
15	Advisors in 2010; and
16	WHEREAS, Mr. West was an outstanding scholar and teacher in addition to his
17	career as a lawyer; he developed a course on gaming law and served as the course's
18	instructor at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center for the past ten years; in 2005 he received a
19	master of business administration degree, and more recently, he had taken mediation dispute
20	resolution courses at Pepperdine University; and

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1	WHEREAS, Mr. West embraced the Baton Rouge community and proudly offered
2	himself to serve on numerous civic clubs and organizations; he served as president of the
3	Rotary Club of Baton Rouge, the City Club of Baton Rouge, the Louisiana Arts and Science
4	Museum, and the Baton Rouge Gallery; he also served on several boards in support of the
5	greater Baton Rouge area, including the Arts Council, the Alzheimer's Association, Hospice,
6	and the Baton Rouge Area Foundation; and
7	WHEREAS, Mr. West honorably served with excellence as the general counsel of
8	the Louisiana Pilotage Fee Commission; and
9	WHEREAS, Mr. West was a passionate supporter of LSU sports; he and his partners
10	regularly hosted top-tier tailgates for football and baseball games; he formed many bonds
11	and made many memories during these cherished gatherings; he was also passionate about
12	bass fishing and horse racing; and
13	WHEREAS, Paul Slocomb West is survived by his wife of forty years, Kathy; his
14	sons, Andrew Slocomb West, and his partner Steven, and Michael Flynn West, and his wife
15	Kortney; his grandchildren, Elizabeth, Joshua, Benjamin, and Olivia; his brothers, Dr. James
16	West, III, and his wife Carolyn, and David West, Sr.; his sister, Terry Cobb, and her husband
17	Bill; sister-in-law, Chris Ross DeWeese; and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family;
18	he will be deeply missed.
19	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
20	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Paul
21	Slocomb West; does hereby recognize Mr. West for his unmistakable dedication to the Baton
22	Rouge community and applaud his civic mindedness; and does hereby extend sincere hopes
23	that his family and friends find comfort during this difficult time.
24	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the

25 family of Paul Slocomb West.

DIGEST

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