

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 188

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Dorothy P. Ledet.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of Representatives has learned of the passing, on May 27, 2021, of Dorothy P. "Ms. Dot" Ledet; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy was born on July 24, 1934, in St. Martinville, Louisiana, and was the fourth child born to Calvin Polite and Eunice Chambers Cormier; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy married Albert Ledet, Jr., on November 25, 1956, and the two enjoyed fifty-nine years of marriage; two children were born to their union, Albert "T.A." Ledet, III, and Dodie Ledet LaMott; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dot was a longtime employee of the Willis family, working at both the family's home and the law offices of Mack Willis; she also coordinated numerous local and statewide get out the vote activities for Mr. Willis during his successful campaign for the office of mayor of St. Martinville; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the Willis's employment, Ms. Dot worked for thirty years as a food service worker at St. Martinville Primary School; she always brought smiles to every student, faculty, and staff member at the school; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dot also mastered the art of creole cuisine and was well known for her gingerbread and meat pies; she always kept the recipe secret and often prepared the treats late at night to avoid revealing her mother's secrets; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dot was a longtime and faithful member of Union Baptist Church in St. Martinville; she was immensely proud of her status as one of the first members of the church to be baptized in the church's baptismal pool; she also served as president of the usher board, as head cook for many church events, and as the church's groundskeeper; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dot was also a charter member of the Newcomers Club in St. Martinville and served as the club's chair for over twenty years; the club sponsors numerous community activities including an annual Christmas ball and toy drive and is regarded as the first organization to sponsor Mardi Gras parades in St. Martinville; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy's other affiliations included memberships in the Order of Eastern Star, Heroines of Jericho, and the Pokeno Club; she was also the recipient of numerous awards for her community involvement, including the Dr. Martin Luther King Award, given by Golden Keys Social & Civic Club; the Newcomers Dedicated Service and Commitment Award; the Presidential Award for Cooperation to the Men of Distinction Social & Civic Club; and many more; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dot leaves to cherish her memory her son, Albert Ledet, III; daughter, Dodie Ledet LaMott; sisters, Willie Mae Ambroise, Maxine Cormier, and Janice Underwood, and her husband Harold; grandchildren, Ebony LaMott, Bryson Boudreaux, Ross Rattliff, Craig LaMott, Jr., and Lashia Duhon; great-grandchildren, Jonah R. LaMott, Qunell Duhon, Qunaisha Duhon, Qarie Boudreaux, and Quest Boudreaux; her godchild, Becky Isadore; her brother-in-law, Malcolm Ledet; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy P. Ledet will be deeply missed but her memory will live on in those who knew and loved her.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Dorothy P. Ledet; does hereby recognize Ms. Dot's genuine compassion for her community; and does hereby extend sincere hopes that her family, friends, and loved ones find comfort during this difficult time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Dorothy P. Ledet.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES