

2022 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3

BY SENATOR FRED MILLS

CONDOLENCES. Expresses sincere condolences upon the death of Carl W. Aron.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of pharmacist and public servant, Carl W. Aron, and to honor the legacy of compassion and love he leaves for his family, friends, community, and the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow and regret that the citizens and the Legislature of Louisiana learned of the death of Carl W. Aron who passed peacefully from this life on January 5, 2022, at the age of eighty-two; and

WHEREAS, Carl W. Aron was born in Monroe, Louisiana, on September 23, 1939, to Trudy and Dave Aron; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from Neville High School in 1957 and attended the University of Mississippi where he was a letterman on the tennis team and a member of Phi Epsilon Phi Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, he received his license as a pharmacist from the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy in 1962; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aron served his country in Vietnam, being stationed in Okinawa, Japan, where he proudly held the rank of captain in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, in 1968, he joined his family's pharmacy business and also met the love of his life, Donna Renaud; and

1 WHEREAS, Carl and Donna began their life together as a family in Monroe, having
2 three beautiful children, Melissa, Debbie, and David; and

3 WHEREAS, in 1971, Mr. Aron took ownership of the family pharmacy business and
4 began growing Aron's Pharmacy into a community pharmacy staple that continues to care
5 for countless generations of families in and around Monroe; and

6 WHEREAS, also in 1971, he was first appointed to the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy
7 by the Honorable John J. McKeithen, Governor of Louisiana, and served continuously on
8 the board for over fifty years, with the last twenty-five of those years serving as president;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Aron was recently elected President Emeritus of the Louisiana
11 Board of Pharmacy and holds the honor of the longest serving member on any Board of
12 Pharmacy in the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career in pharmacy he received numerous
14 awards for his service to the profession, including the Bowl of Hygeia Award for
15 Community Service from the Louisiana Pharmacists Association in 1985 and the
16 Meritorious Achievement Award from the College of Pharmacy at Northeast Louisiana
17 University, now known as the University of Louisiana at Monroe, in 1989; and

18 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy is a member of the National
19 Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) in which Mr. Aron was an active member and
20 received numerous recognitions and awards from the NABP; and

21 WHEREAS, he ensured that NABP's pharmacist licensure examinations remained
22 valid and effective through his service on their Advisory Committee on Examinations from
23 1999 through 2005, including service as committee chairman in 2004; and

24 WHEREAS, NABP recognized the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy's activities in the
25 aftermath of hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005 under Mr. Aron's leadership; and

26 WHEREAS, during the NABP 2006 annual meeting, the Louisiana Board of
27 Pharmacy was presented with the Fred T. Mahaffey Award for outstanding contributions to
28 the regulation of the practice of pharmacy and Mr. Aron was awarded NABP's highest
29 individual honor, the Lester E. Hosto Distinguished Service Award; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Aron served as chairman of the NABP Task Force on Emergency

1 Preparedness, Response, and the United State Drug Distribution System in 2007; and

2 WHEREAS, during the 2013 NABP annual meeting Mr. Aron was selected as a
3 lifetime honorary president; and

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, under the leadership of Mr. Aron,
5 was innovative and adaptive to the rapidly changing world of pharmacy practice, healthcare
6 delivery, and prescription drugs and developed and implemented multiple tools to keep the
7 public safe, including the prescription monitoring program; and

8 WHEREAS, during the 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Senate
9 Resolution No. 96 was passed to congratulate Mr. Aron on more than fifty years of service
10 to the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Aron was a longtime member of Temple B'Nai Israel in Monroe
12 and was strongly dedicated to his Jewish faith; and

13 WHEREAS, he was also a lifelong and founding member of Bayou DeSiard Country
14 Club and loved playing golf with all of his friends; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Aron represented the very best of being a community pharmacist
16 and demonstrated an unwavering compassion for everyone who crossed his path; and

17 WHEREAS, his legacy will live long through the countless lives touched by Aron's
18 Pharmacy and through the fond memories of all who were fortunate enough to have known
19 him.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
21 express its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Carl W. Aron and honors the
22 legacy of compassion and love he leaves for his family, friends, community, and the state
23 of Louisiana.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to his
25 beautiful bride of fifty-three years, Mrs. Donna Renaud Aron and their family.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christine Arbo Peck.
