

1 WHEREAS, shortly after Earl embarked on his new career, the Thibodauxs
2 welcomed their daughter, Julie, into the world; Mr. Thibodaux lived to make his daughter
3 happy and always made sure to remind her that she was his pride and joy; he cherished
4 bragging about her completing law school at Loyola University in New Orleans; and

5 WHEREAS, the majority of Mr. Thibodaux's career in long-term healthcare was
6 spent with currently-named Pathway South, LLC; he began in 1985 and became president
7 of operations in the early 2000s; he was known to treat colleagues as an extension of his
8 family and was affectionately known as "Mr. T" or "Papa T"; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Thibodaux was a genuine friend and a dedicated member of the
10 Thibodaux community; he regularly volunteered in both his community and the surrounding
11 areas; his civic involvement included volunteering as an advisor to the E.D. White Key
12 Club/Kiwanis organization, serving as a commentator at St. Joseph Cathedral, serving as a
13 board member and retreat captain emeritus for Manresa House of Retreats, and serving as
14 a member and chairman of the Louisiana Board of Examiners of Nursing Facility
15 Administrators; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Thibodaux loved spending time with family and friends, visiting
17 Walt Disney World, fishing at Six Forks Camp in Port Gibson, and playing cards with his
18 brothers; in 2015, he experienced "one of the highlights of his life" by being named the 63rd
19 King of the Krewe of Christopher, an organization with which his family had long-standing
20 involvement; and

21 WHEREAS, Earl Joseph Thibodaux is survived by his wife, Ann Soignet Thibodaux;
22 daughter, Julie Thibodaux; Nicholas Poché, who is like an adopted son to the Thibodauxs;
23 and his siblings, Gene Thibodaux, and his wife Janet, Brenda Arceneaux, and her husband
24 Steve, Eustis Thibodaux, and his wife Claudette, Denise Boudreaux, and her husband Mark,
25 Jimmy Thibodaux, and Suzette Pickering, and her husband Billy; and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Thibodaux leaves a truly beautiful legacy of unshakeable love and
27 commitment to his wife, daughter, and siblings; he will be profoundly missed by his family
28 and all those whose lives were improved by his generous spirit; he will be deeply missed.

29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
30 express heartfelt condolences on the death of Earl Joseph Thibodaux; does hereby recognize

1 Mr. Thibodaux for his unrelenting dedication to his hometown of Thibodaux and the entire
2 state of Louisiana; and does hereby extend sincere hopes that his family, friends, and former
3 colleagues find comfort in their many shared memories of his life.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
5 family of Earl Joseph Thibodaux.

DIGEST

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