

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99

BY SENATOR BASS

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences to the family of Zachary Funderburk.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the  
3 passing of Zachary Funderburk, son, brother, friend, wildlife agent, and Christian.

4 WHEREAS, Zachary "Zac" Funderburk, a native of Louisiana, unexpectedly passed  
5 away on March 22, 2024, at the young age of twenty-seven; and

6 WHEREAS, Zac attended Parkway High School in Shreveport, where he  
7 distinguished himself as a standout wrestler and cross-country runner; and

8 WHEREAS, his exceptional work ethic and skill produced back-to-back state  
9 wrestling championships and his being named the 2015 Shreveport Times Wrestler of the  
10 Year; and

11 WHEREAS, Zac earned an athletic scholarship to Briar Cliff University in Sioux  
12 City, Iowa, and after graduating high school in 2015, he competed at the college level for  
13 four years as a Briar Cliff Charger; and

14 WHEREAS, Zac built an impressive resume as a collegiate wrestler. He was a  
15 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics National Championship qualifier, was  
16 named First Team All-GPAC, broke a school record for technical falls, and finished his  
17 distinguished career a single win short of All-American honors; and

18 WHEREAS, Zac had a life-long love for the outdoors and hunting and fishing,

1 passions he delighted in sharing with those close to him; and

2 WHEREAS, following college graduation, Zac was accepted into the United States  
3 Marine Corps Officer Candidates School; and

4 WHEREAS, a back injury lead to his early medical discharge from the Marine Corps,  
5 but God had another opportunity in store for Zac; and

6 WHEREAS, Zac entered the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Law  
7 Enforcement Academy and graduated as a member of its 35th class of cadets on March 29,  
8 2023, becoming a commissioned wildlife agent assigned to the northern parishes; and

9 WHEREAS, as a wildlife agent, Zac was a natural, often observing to friends and  
10 family, "I can't believe I get to do this for a living!"; and

11 WHEREAS, Agent Funderburk was known as an exemplary public servant who  
12 protected the citizens of Louisiana and made a significant impact on both his fellow agents  
13 and those he served; and

14 WHEREAS, those who know and love Zac will cherish their many memories of his  
15 faith, selflessness, and infectious zest for life, and they will take solace in the wisdom of  
16 Romans 8:18, which Zac proudly wore tattooed on his chest: "The pain that you've been  
17 feeling cannot compare to the joy that's coming."

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
19 hereby honors the memory of Zachary Funderburk and extends its deepest condolences to  
20 his family and loved ones.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
22 family of Zachary Funderburk as a token of the Senate's sincere sympathy and gratitude for  
23 his service to the people of Louisiana.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jacob K. Wilson.

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