

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

BY SENATOR CONNICK

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences on the death of Harry Connick Sr., former district attorney of Orleans Parish.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
3 passing of Harry Connick Sr., former district attorney of Orleans Parish.

4 WHEREAS, the members of the Senate are deeply saddened by the passing of Harry
5 Connick Sr., the former district attorney of Orleans Parish, whose dedication and service to
6 the community have left an indelible mark on the people of Louisiana; and

7 WHEREAS, Harry Connick Sr. served his country with distinction during World
8 War II as a member of the U.S. Navy before pursuing higher education, earning a degree in
9 business administration, and contributing to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and

10 WHEREAS, while owning and operating two record stores alongside his cherished
11 wife, the late Anita Connick, Harry Connick Sr. pursued his passion for justice and legal
12 advocacy, attending law school and earning his degree from Tulane University,
13 demonstrating his commitment to lifelong learning and service; and

14 WHEREAS, Harry Connick Sr. was first elected as district attorney of Orleans Parish
15 in 1973, and his exceptional leadership and dedication to justice were evident throughout his
16 tenure, during which he was reelected four times, serving until 2003, and becoming the
17 longest-serving district attorney in New Orleans history; and

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1 WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career, Harry Connick Sr. was a powerful
2 and influential figure in New Orleans civic life and his commitment to upholding the rule
3 of law and serving the interests of justice inspired all those who had the privilege of working
4 alongside him; and

5 WHEREAS, from his marriage with Anita, two children were born, Suzanne Connick
6 Jamison, M.D., FACP, Colonel, USAR (Retired), who served our country in the United
7 States Army, and Harry Connick Jr., a renowned international recording artist and
8 entertainer; and

9 WHEREAS, Harry Connick Sr., with his late wife, raised their family in the
10 Lakeview neighborhood of New Orleans, instilling in them values of integrity, compassion,
11 and a strong sense of community; and

12 WHEREAS, in addition to his remarkable work in the law, Harry Connick Sr. was
13 also a talented singer, like his famous son, and delighted audiences with performances in
14 nightclubs in the city's French Quarter, earning him the affectionate nickname "The Singing
15 District Attorney"; and

16 WHEREAS, Harry Connick Sr. and his son co-founded the Mardi Gras superkrewe
17 the Krewe of Orpheus, further showcasing their deep-rooted connection to and love for the
18 vibrant cultural traditions of New Orleans; and

19 WHEREAS, after the death of his beloved wife, Anita, Harry Connick Sr. married
20 Londa Jean Matherne Connick, whose love and support of Harry during his senior years was
21 unwavering and inspiring.

22 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
23 does hereby extend its heartfelt condolences to the family, friends, and loved ones of Harry
24 Connick Sr. on his passing and expresses its deepest gratitude for his years of dedicated
25 service to the people of Orleans Parish and the state of Louisiana.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
27 family of Harry Connick Sr. as a token of our sincere sympathy and appreciation for his
28 outstanding contributions to our state.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tyler S. McCloud.

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