

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 157

BY SENATOR BROOME

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the deaths of hundreds of miners as a result of a coal mine explosion in the town of Soma in western Turkey.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the  
3 deaths of hundreds of miners who died as a result of a coal mine explosion in Soma,  
4 Turkey.

5 WHEREAS, on Tuesday, May 14, 2014, an explosion tore through a coal mine in  
6 Soma, Turkey, as more than seven hundred workers prepared for a shift change, and the  
7 ensuing fire cut off electricity to the mine, trapping hundreds almost a mile beneath the  
8 surface; and

9 WHEREAS, although three hundred eighty-three miners had been rescued by the day  
10 after the explosion, three hundred one deaths have been confirmed, making the Soma mine  
11 explosion the most deadly in Turkey's mining history; and

12 WHEREAS, tragedies of this magnitude transcend geographical boundaries, and it  
13 is with great sadness for the loved ones of the deceased and injured miners that the Senate  
14 expresses sincere condolences.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
16 does hereby extend deepest sympathies to the relatives and friends of miners who died in the  
17 Soma, Turkey, explosion and does hereby share in the hopes that peace and comfort will be  
18 granted to those who remain.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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DIGEST

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