

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 22

BY SENATORS DORSEY-COLOMB AND WHITE

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Christine Bannister.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana learned of the death of Christine Bannister on January 25, 2015, at the age of sixty; and

WHEREAS, Christine was a lifelong resident of Baton Rouge, graduated from Istrouma High School, and attended Louisiana State University; and

WHEREAS, she served downtown workers for approximately twenty years with home-style cooking at her restaurant, Christina's, on St. Charles Street in Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, Christine was a familiar face to many through the years cooking catfish, rice and gravy, and a variety of lunches and breakfast items at Christina's; and

WHEREAS, she loved to cook for everyone, including her family, friends, and customers; and

WHEREAS, her customers were very important to her and she greeted them with a smile and a kind word; and

WHEREAS, before pursuing her dream of opening a restaurant, Christine worked in various departments at the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her fiancé, Kyle Beck; her mother, Rosa Bannister; one brother, Mike Bannister; two sisters, Dixie Bannister Roberts and Arminea Bannister; four nephews and one niece; and

WHEREAS, with the death of Christine Bannister, Louisiana has lost one of its finest citizens who was admired by all whose lives she touched and is greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, Christine's passing has left a tremendous void in the Baton Rouge community, but her love, smile, and personality shall remain eternal in the hearts and minds of her loved ones, friends, customers, and all who had the opportunity to meet and know her.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Christine Bannister, and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that this wonderful lady brought to her family, friends, community, and state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Christine Bannister.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE