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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 15

BY REPRESENTATIVES COX AND FOIL

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences upon the death of Jack Oliver Brittain, Sr.

A RESOLUTION

2	To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Jack Oliver
3	Brittain, Sr.
4	WHEREAS, it was with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the
5	Louisiana House of Representatives learned of the death of Jack Oliver Brittain, Sr., on
6	January 11, 2016, at the age of eighty-seven; and
7	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain was born on September 24, 1928, in Greenwood,
8	Louisiana; and
9	WHEREAS, he graduated from Ouachita Parish High School in 1945 and earned a
10	bachelor of arts degree from Louisiana Tech University in 1949 and a law degree from the
11	Louisiana State University Law Center in 1957; and
12	WHEREAS, while attending Louisiana Tech University, Mr. Brittain distinguished
13	himself as a star running back and defensive back; he scored his first college touchdown at
14	the age of sixteen; and
15	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain practiced law for fifty-four years, and was often recognized
16	in the legal profession both locally and nationally; and
17	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain was involved in several agricultural business ventures, and
18	he owned rental property and Beau Fort Plantation Home; and
19	WHEREAS, he worked to preserve historic structures in the Natchitoches National
20	Historic Downtown District and the Cane River area and to promote the arts; and

1	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain honorably served his country in the United States Army
2	during the Korean War, and he also served for two years in the Louisiana National Guard;
3	by the time of his honorable discharge from the military, Mr. Brittain had attained the rank
4	of major; and
5	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain's civic accomplishments included serving as president of
6	the Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce and receiving the chamber's "Man of the Year"
7	award; serving as president of the Rotary Club; serving as president of the Natchitoches
8	Jaycees and receiving that organization's "Young Man of the Year" award; serving as the
9	Jaycee National Director for Louisiana; serving as president of the Plantation Club; and
10	reigning as King Rex XLVII for the Holiday in Dixie Cotillion; and
11	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain also served as a delegate to the 1968 and the 1972
12	Democratic National Conventions; and
13	WHEREAS, for over fifty years, Mr. Brittain was an active member of First United
14	Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee, a Kids Hope mentor, and a volunteer for
15	Methodist Youth Groups; and
16	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain was preceded in death by his wife of forty-nine years, Ann
17	Williams Brittain, and his parents, Clarence L. Brittain and Irene Humphries Brittain; and
18	WHEREAS, Mr. Brittain is survived by his children, Jack Oliver "Britt" Brittain, Jr.,
19	J.D.; Marguerite Ann "Cissy" Brittain Picou, M.D.; Rebecca Ann "Becky" Brittain Morris,
20	C.P.A.; Lala Elizabeth Ann Brittain Sylvester, judge, J.D.; Eliza Ann Brittain Behrendsen;
21	John Arthur Brittain, J.D.; and Mary Jane Ann "Cookie" Brittain Richardson; their spouses
22	and his sixteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and
23	WHEREAS, although the death of Jack Oliver Brittain, Sr., has left a tremendous
24	void in his community and state, his memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of
25	the many citizens who knew and loved him.
26	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
27	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the
28	death of Jack Oliver Brittain, Sr.; does hereby recognize and record for posterity his
29	outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions; and does hereby extend enduring

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1 appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that this wonderful man will forever bring

- 2 to his family, friends, and community, the city of Natchitoches, and the state of Louisiana.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 4 to the family of Jack Oliver Brittain, Sr.

DIGEST

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