Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Leopold and Joseph B. Stahl, father and son, for successfully arguing cases
3	before the Supreme Court of the United States.
4	WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution of the United States provides:
5	"The judicial Power of the United States shall be vested in one supreme Court, and in such
6	inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish"; and
7	WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States as the highest court in the
8	country for cases arising under the constitution and laws of the United States is unrivaled in
9	importance in the context of the country's legal system; and
10	WHEREAS, practice before the Supreme Court of the United States demands the
11	highest level of preparation and skill; and
12	WHEREAS, it is accordingly a privilege and major achievement in the career of an
13	attorney to argue a case before the Supreme Court of the United States, and it is a relative
14	few in the profession who count themselves among those who have done so; and
15	WHEREAS, the late Leopold Stahl is among that group, having argued the case of
16	Cudahy Packing Co. of Louisiana, Limited v. Holland with his partner, Stephen Hartel,
17	before the Court in 1942; and
18	WHEREAS, Leopold Stahl was born in 1907 in Trieste, in modern day Italy, and
19	came to New Orleans when he was a year old, where he lived and where he practiced law
20	for more than half a century; and
21	WHEREAS, Leopold Stahl's son, Joseph B. Stahl, followed in his father's career path
22	and became a lawyer, and in 1970 Joseph B. Stahl joined the group of attorneys who have
23	practiced before the highest court in the land by arguing the case of Hellenic Lines, Ltd. v.
24	Rhoditis; and

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1	WHEREAS, Joseph B. Stahl was born in 1936 in New Orleans and though he has
2	lived in many places, including New York, Florida, France, Greece, and England, he calls
3	New Orleans home; and
4	WHEREAS, not only did both Leopold and Joseph B. Stahl argue cases before the
5	Supreme Court of the United States, which would by itself merit a special measure of
6	recognition, both were also successful in arguing their cases.
7	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
8	commend Leopold and Joseph B. Stahl, father and son, for successfully arguing cases before
9	the Supreme Court of the United States; does hereby recognize and record for posterity their
10	extraordinary achievements; and does hereby extend to Joseph B. Stahl best wishes in his
11	future endeavors.
12	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
13	to Joseph B. Stahl.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE