

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 165

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT JOHNSON

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Anna Ricaud Gray.

WHEREAS, it was with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Louisiana House of Representatives learned of the death of Anna Ricaud Gray on Thursday, May 2, 2019, at the age of seventy-seven; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gray graduated from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette with a bachelor's degree in elementary education in 1963; and

WHEREAS, she taught first grade at Patterson High School in St. Mary Parish from 1963 to 1968 then transferred to teach first grade at Marksville Elementary School in Avoyelles Parish; she retired with forty-eight years of service in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gray was known to be a very loving and devoted teacher; her generosity did not go unnoticed; she selflessly provided school supplies, clothing, and Christmas gifts to children in need; she treated everyone the same regardless of race, religion, or social welfare; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gray was preceded in death by her loving husband, Blakewood Gray, and her parents, Henry and Anna Guillory Ricaud; and

WHEREAS, those left to cherish her memory are her devoted godchild, Jackie Mayeux, and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends; and

WHEREAS, although the death of Mrs. Gray has left a tremendous void in her community, her memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved her.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Anna Ricaud Gray; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her exceptional accomplishments and singular contributions; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that this wonderful woman will forever bring to her family, friends, community, and former students and colleagues and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Anna Ricaud Gray.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES