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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 179

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Robert J. Evans, Sr.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing, on April 19, 2024, of Robert J. Evans, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Robert J. Evans, Sr., was born in New Orleans and was a resident of Kenner, Louisiana; he began his firefighting career as a member of the United States Air Force in 1965; and

WHEREAS, after completing his military career, Mr. Evans pursued civilian careers with various government agencies in the New Orleans area; he was a true community servant with genuine passion for helping others and saving lives; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans' service included the following: deputy with the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office, district chief of the New Orleans Fire Department, chief of the Third District Volunteer Fire Department, assistant superintendent of the Jefferson Parish Fire Department, and director of the Jefferson Parish Fire Training Center; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service, Mr. Evans was a member of the International Association of Fire Fighters, Louisiana State Fire Chiefs Association, Homeland Security National Task Force, Veteran Fire Fighters, American Legion, and Elk's Lodge; and

WHEREAS, Robert J. Evans, Sr., leaves to cherish his memory his children, Rhonda L. Evans (Patrick), Robert J. Evans, Jr. (Rhonda), and Brenda E. McCarson (Richard); grandchildren, April (Delaney), Robert III, Andrew (Andrea), Samantha, Cody (Chloe), Richard, Jeremy (Clarissa), Joey (Tiffany), Christian, and Joseph (Samantha); greatgrandchildren, Robert IV, Kinsley, Alice, Grayson, Paisley, and Jo-Jo; siblings, John Ronald Evans and John Oliver Evans, Jr. (Judy); and a host of nieces, nephews, extended relatives, and friends; he will be deeply missed, but the legacy of his service will live on in perpetuity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Robert J. Evans, Sr., and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and loved ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES