

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 214

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCE HARRIS

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences upon the death of Lester "Rocky" Stroud of New Iberia

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Lester
3 "Rocky" Stroud of New Iberia.

4 WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives were saddened to learn
5 of the passing on May 23, 2016, of Lester "Rocky" Stroud at the age of ninety; and

6 WHEREAS, Lester Stroud was born May 10, 1926, in Eustace, Texas, to Roy and
7 Edna Stroud; most of his life was spent in Pasadena and Wildwood, Texas, and for the past
8 six years, he resided in New Iberia; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Stroud enlisted in the U.S. Navy at the age of seventeen and
10 proudly served his country in World War II and Korea; it was during the invasion of Inchon,
11 Korea, on September 15, 1950, that he was hit with shrapnel; his back was broken in two
12 places, and Lester Stroud was awarded the Purple Heart for his combat wounds; and

13 WHEREAS, after the Korean war, Mr. Stroud returned to the states and settled on
14 a farm in East Texas with the love of his life, Doris; Lester was called Rocky by family and
15 friends, Poppy by his grandchildren, and Poppy Bear by his great-grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, an accomplishment of which he was most proud was the redesign of
17 Louisiana's Purple Heart license plate; Mr. Stroud worked with Representative Chris Roy
18 to include the words "COMBAT WOUNDED" directly below an exact-size image of a
19 Purple Heart, and the plate became available after Act No. 140 of the 2008 Regular Session
20 was signed into law by Governor Jindal on June 12, 2008; and

1 WHEREAS, left behind to cherish his memory are his daughters, Yvonne LeRay and
2 her husband, J.B., and Diane Stroud; his grandchildren, Tiffany LeRay Romero and her
3 husband Ryan, JoB LeRay and his wife Charlotte, and Casye LeRay; his great-grandchildren
4 Payten and Cooper Romero, and Roux LeRay; his sister Katha Black, and his sister-in-law
5 Ruth Stroud; and family and friends will forever cherish the memories of good times enjoyed
6 with Lester "Rocky" Stroud.

7 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
8 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend deepest sympathies to the family and friends
9 of Lester "Rocky" Stroud and does hereby express hopes for peace and comfort.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
11 to the family of Lester Stroud.

DIGEST

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