2020 Second Extraordinary Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53** 

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES OWEN

## A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Samuel Suel.

WHEREAS, Samuel Suel was born on March 9, 1918, in Fullerton, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Suel volunteered and enlisted in the United States Army Air Force

on October 28, 1942, to fight for his country during World War II; after completing basic

training, he was assigned to the 2056th Quartermaster Unit and stationed at Will Rogers

Field in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Suel's unit was deployed to England and attached to the 8th Air

Force; he served in England from 1943 until July 1945; afterwards, his unit returned to the

U.S. before being ordered to travel to Japan; however, after the dropping of the atomic

bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, these orders were canceled; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Suel married Mary Watkins in July 1946, and together, they had

five children; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Suel remained active in his community until his death; most

recently he was responsible for the care of the plants and raising the American flag at the

Vernon Council on Aging; he also served as a deacon and president of the usher board at his

church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Suel leaves to cherish his memory three daughters, Pamela Moore,

Sammie Jackson, and Mercedes Bristow; two sons, Nelson Suel and Thomas Suel; two

brothers, R.J. Beshears and Ben Beshears; seven grandchildren; and thirteen great-

grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Suel stands among the many American heroes who fought in World War II to defend and preserve democracy; he will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Samuel Suel; does hereby offer sincere gratitude for Mr. Suel's service to his country during World War II; and does hereby extend sincere hopes and wishes that his family find comfort during this difficult time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Samuel Suel.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES