

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 114

BY SENATORS THOMPSON, ADLEY, ALARIO, ALLAIN, AMEDEE, APPEL, BROOME, BROWN, BUFFINGTON, CHABERT, CLAITOR, CORTEZ, CROWE, DONAHUE, DORSEY-COLOMB, ERDEY, GALLOT, GUILLORY, HEITMEIER, JOHNS, KOSTELKA, LAFLEUR, LONG, MARTINY, MILLS, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, NEVERS, PEACOCK, PERRY, PETERSON, RISER, GARY SMITH, JOHN SMITH, TARVER, WALSWORTH, WARD AND WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Sherrie Hardie Thompson.

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness and profound sorrow that the citizens and the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of Sherrie Hardie Thompson, on April 25, 2014, at the age of sixty; and

WHEREAS, Sherrie Hardie was born on March 19, 1954, to Billy and Nell Hardie; she was raised in Jonesville, Louisiana, graduated Block High School, and attended Northwestern State University and Louisiana State University; and

WHEREAS, always possessing a beautiful presence and gifted with intelligence, character and grace, she was active in numerous pageants, capturing the titles of Miss Jonesville, Miss Louisiana Shrimp Queen, and Miss Northwestern State University; and

WHEREAS, after college, Sherrie moved to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and worked as a legislative aide and later as a staff member to former Governor Edwin Edwards and then Secretary of State Paul Hardy; and

WHEREAS, she also twice served as a delegate for the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta and New York; and

WHEREAS, Sherrie had a passion for the film industry, and in the 1970s, participated in the making of several movies being filmed in the Baton Rouge area, including a movie with Nashville star Kenny Rogers; and

WHEREAS, it was during one such film project that Mrs. Thompson met and introduced well-known and respected Hollywood actor Kurt Russell to her famous fried eggs and bologna sandwiches; and

WHEREAS, Sherrie Hardie Thompson was an exemplary and highly admired citizen of Louisiana who worked tirelessly on a multitude of business, civic, political, and religious causes throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, she was a loving, devoted, and dedicated wife to her husband, state Senator Steve Thompson, a committed and cherished mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, relative and friend whose love of family was of the utmost importance in her life; and

WHEREAS, because of her numerous accomplishments in public and private life, the death of Sherrie Hardie Thompson has left a void in her community, town, and state, and has created a genuine sense of profound sorrow in her friends and family.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby honors the extraordinary life of Sherrie Hardie Thompson and pays tribute to her remarkable legacy and expresses sincere condolences to her family on the occasion of her death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to her husband, Senator Steve Thompson.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES