2016 First Extraordinary Session SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10 BY SENATOR COLOMB

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Maudry Prejean Batiste.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing of Maudry Prejean Batiste on February 14, 2016, at the age of eighty-three; and

WHEREAS, Maudry Prejean was born on February 26, 1932, to the union of Curley Prejean Sr. and Arthemese Rideaux Prejean; and

WHEREAS, her family and friends would say that Maudry was truly a "woman of God" in that she poured her love and wisdom upon her husband of sixty-seven years, George Batiste Sr., as well as her five children and her special goddaughter; and

WHEREAS, she extended that endless love and wisdom to five sisters, six brothers, six grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends; and

WHEREAS, Brandy Batiste's praise of her grandmother in her poem, *An All-Timers Love*, states that Maudry taught by example the importance of "doing to others what you want done to you" which was one of the many pearls of wisdom she imparted to each family member; and

WHEREAS, Maudry's family and friends may take much comfort in knowing that the indelible "Life of Faith" she bestowed upon each of them is one she walked and exemplied on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, she retired as the head cook at the prestigious Holy Rosary Institute, which is a vocational and technical school, nationally recognized as one of the few remaining black Catholic high schools in the United States; and

WHEREAS, all who loved and will miss Maudry can find peace in knowing that she had prepared herself for an eternal life with her God, in whose arms she currently resides.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere condolences to the family and friends of Maudry Prejean Batiste upon her passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to her husband George Batiste Sr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE