### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16

#### BY SENATORS ERDEY AND GATTI AND REPRESENTATIVE REYNOLDS

#### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Robert Charles Bryan, a United States Navy veteran and longtime business owner in Springhill, Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan was born on February 18, 1932, to John Elliot and Nova Dees Bryan in Taylor, Arkansas, and died at his home in Springhill, Louisiana, on February 11, 2017, at the age of eighty-four following a courageous battle with melanoma cancer; and

WHEREAS, Robert Bryan was a veteran of the United States Navy serving during the Korean War in the Submarine Force at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, upon his return from his Navy service, Mr. Bryan attended Southern State College in Magnolia, Arkansas, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in business administration; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Robert Bryan became a member of the Southern State College, later renamed Southern Arkansas University, Alumni Association and served as president of the Southern Arkansas University Alumni Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan enjoyed sixty-five years in a wonderful and loving marriage with his wife, Barbara B. Bryan, and leaves both his wife and his son Johnny Bryan and wife Suzette, among other family, to treasure his memory; and

WHEREAS, Robert Bryan was a faithful member, deacon and teacher of the men's Adult V department Sunday school class and a member of the choir at Central Baptist Church for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan was a member and past president of the Springhill Rotary Club and past president of the Springhill Chamber of Commerce, among many other community and civic affairs which he led or in which he was involved; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Bryan served on the Springhill City Council for many years and during his time of service on the council, the Springhill Civic Center was built and improvements were made to Highway 71, widening it to a four-lane highway; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan and his wife Barbara owned and operated The Place, a men's clothing store, and Place to Place Travel Agency in Springhill; and

WHEREAS, during his employment career, Robert Bryan also worked for twenty years as assistant manager and office accountant for Anthony Forest Manufacturing Corporation; and

WHEREAS, in a last action recognizing the service of Robert Bryan, with love and respect for his selfless service and as a symbol of honor, the members of Legionnaires-McFarlane Post Fourteen of the American Legion and the two hundred thirty-three veterans of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2238 in Shreveport, Louisiana, offered their sympathies and condolences to Mr. Bryan's family in a "Final Salute" to their fellow brother in arms, Robert Charles Bryan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express the sincere condolences upon the death of Robert Charles Bryan, a United States Navy veteran, civic leader, and longtime business owner in Springhill, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Barbara B. Bryan of Springhill, Louisiana.

## PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

# SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES