

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 253

BY REPRESENTATIVE LARVADAIN

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Paulette Arlene Williams.

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Paulette Arlene Williams on April 22, 2019, at the age of sixty-two; and

WHEREAS, born in New Orleans on November 6, 1956, to Reverend Dr. Howard L. Williams and Delores S. Williams, Paulette graduated from Peabody High School in Rapides Parish and earned a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education and several certificates in special education; she furthered her education at Northwestern State University where she earned a master's plus thirty; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 1985, Paulette was united in holy matrimony to Scott E. Perry; they were blessed with two beautiful daughters; and

WHEREAS, Paulette was employed by the Allen Parish school system as a special education teacher and was promoted to special education supervisor; and

WHEREAS, after a commendable career in shaping the minds of the youth of Allen Parish, Paulette retired after thirty-four years and subsequently began consulting for the school system; and

WHEREAS, Paulette was active in several organizations including the National Education Association, Peabody Alumni, and Grambling Alumni; she was local president of the National Auxiliary of University Women and president of the Deerfield Association; and

WHEREAS, Paulette accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized by her father at True Vine Missionary Baptist Church, where she continued her service until the time of her transition; as a child, she was active in the youth junior choir and Sunshine Band; as an

adult, she attended Sunday school, served as a vacation bible school teacher, and was a faithful member of the usher board until her health began to decline; and

WHEREAS, she leaves to mourn with loving memories: her devoted husband, Scott E. Perry; daughters, Tamesha Abram, and her husband Larry, and Kia Clifton, and her husband Will; grandchildren, Brayden and Bryce Abram and Kianna and Kiasia Clifton; sister Lynette Muse; mother- and father-in-law, Doris and Scott Perry; and aunts, in-laws, godchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; and

WHEREAS, after a life of educating the youth of Allen Parish, Paulette Williams answered the call of her Master depicted in scripture; it is fitting to herald the positive impact Paulette made upon the lives of many in Allen Parish, and with her passing, Louisiana mourns the loss of one of her finest daughters.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express its deepest and most sincere condolences upon the death of Paulette Arlene Williams; does hereby acknowledge her life's work with the youth of Allen Parish; and does hereby extend prayers and hopes for peace and comfort to those who remain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Paulette Arlene Williams.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES