

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67

BY SENATORS SMITH, ABRAHAM, ALLAIN, BARROW, BERNARD, BOUDREAUX, BOUIE, CARTER, CATHEY, CLOUD, CONNICK, CORTEZ, FESI, FIELDS, FOIL, HARRIS, HENRY, HENSGENS, HEWITT, JACKSON, JOHNS, LAMBERT, LUNEAU, MCMATH, MILLIGAN, FRED MILLS, ROBERT MILLS, MIZELL, MORRIS, PEACOCK, PETERSON, POPE, PRICE, REESE, TALBOT, TARVER, WARD, WHITE AND WOMACK

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of former Louisiana State Senator Ronald J. "Ron" Landry.

WHEREAS, it is with sincere regret and profound sorrow that the members of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of former Louisiana State Senator Ronald J. "Ron" Landry on May 24, 2020, after an extended illness at age seventy-six; and

WHEREAS, Senator Landry was a native of Thibodaux, and upon graduation from the LSU Law Center, established a law practice and residence in LaPlace, Louisiana, where he and his wife, Mary Ellen Landry Shiflett, raised their two children, Benton and Lauryn; and

WHEREAS, Senator Landry was elected to the state senate, representing District 19 on his first ever run for political office in 1975; and

WHEREAS, he was subsequently re-elected five times, serving the citizens of Louisiana for twenty-four years; and

WHEREAS, while serving as Senate parliamentarian, Senator Landry was known as a stickler for Senate rules and he developed a reputation for fully reading all bills considered by the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Landry was well known as a champion of the working man and an especially strong advocate of commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS, he also was successful in changing the way the state of Louisiana treated handicapped students, including the hearing impaired, through numerous pieces of legislation he authored; and

WHEREAS, Senator Landry developed an uncanny expertise in transportation matters and public works projects as the longtime chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Senator Landry is survived by his son Benton Landry of North Carolina and daughter Lauryn Landry Schenker and her husband Chris Schenker of Mandeville along with three grandchildren Khalen Landry, Brooklyn Schenker, and Christian Schenker, as well as siblings David Landry and his wife Laurie of Perdido Key, Florida, Dr. Barry Landry and his wife Debbie of Thibodaux, and Alice Landry Champagne of Luling; and

WHEREAS, the passing of former Louisiana State Senator Ronald J. "Ron" Landry has left a tremendous void in his community and has created a genuine sense of sorrow in the many individuals who mourn his passing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the passing of former Louisiana State Senator Ronald J. "Ron" Landry and does hereby extend posthumous honor and recognition to Senator Landry for his legacy to his family, community, and the Louisiana State Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of former Louisiana State Senator Ronald J. "Ron" Landry.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE