

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 92

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences on the death of Wellborn Jack, Jr.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Wellborn
3 Jack, Jr.

4 WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of
5 Representatives has learned of the passing, on April 4, 2023, of Wellborn Jack, Jr.; and

6 WHEREAS, Wellborn Jack, Jr., was born on July 23, 1936, in Shreveport, Louisiana;
7 he attended Barrett Elementary and Broadmoor Junior High and graduated from C.E. Byrd
8 High School; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Jack went on to graduate from Louisiana State University (LSU)
10 and then the LSU Law Center; while in law school, he served as the editor-in-chief of the
11 Law Review; and

12 WHEREAS, after completing his education, Mr. Jack returned to Shreveport and
13 began practicing law with his father, Welborn Jack, Sr., who served in the Louisiana House
14 of Representatives from 1940 to 1964; Welborne Jack, Jr., possessed a truly brilliant mind
15 and possessed a genuine passion for the study and practice of law; he will also be
16 remembered for having an unparalleled commitment to his clients; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Jack forged a career as a lawyer and was included in "The Best
18 Trial Lawyers of America" collection; he served as a trial lawyer for more than five decades
19 hearing countless numbers of cases; he was the first lawyer in the country to obtain a "not
20 guilty by reason of insanity" verdict in a case involving a violent crime after he successfully
21 argued that his client, who served in the Vietnam War, suffered from post-traumatic stress

1 disorder, which motivated his violent actions; he also defended a member of Earth First in
2 an environmental conspiracy case in Arizona; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Jack was also a lifelong environmentalist; he played a pivotal role
4 in the creation of the Caney Creek Wilderness Area in Arkansas; he co-founded the
5 Kisatchie Chapter of the Ozark Society and was named "Conservationist of the Year"; he
6 was also a member of the Army National Guard Reserves; and

7 WHEREAS, Wellborn Jack, Jr., leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife,
8 Catherine; children, Wellborn Jack, III, and his wife Mary, Patrick Jack, Wayne Ashley, and
9 his wife Suzi, Ransom Ashley, and his wife Terri, Andrea Swenson, and her husband Alan,
10 and Angela Butler, and her husband Rick; sister, Patricia Jack Morgan; grandchildren, Will
11 Jack, Spencer Jack, Sara Jack, Richard Ashley, Tiffany Olson, Ashley Crawford, Laura
12 Moore, Jeremy Sitter, Ransom C. Ashley, and Cole Ashley; and ten great-grandchildren; he
13 will be deeply missed but certainly never forgotten.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Wellborn
16 Jack, Jr., and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and loved ones
17 find comfort in their shared memories of his life.

DIGEST

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