

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 189

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

CONDOLENCES: Expresses the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Michael Karl Gary

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Michael Karl
3 Gary.

4 WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of
5 Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana has learned of the passing of Michael Karl
6 Gary; and

7 WHEREAS, Michael was born on May 31, 1961, to John P. and Velma L. Gary; he
8 embraced the Christian faith, was baptized at an early age, and he remained a faithful
9 churchgoer throughout his life; and

10 WHEREAS, Michael graduated from Sicily Island High School in 1979, and he
11 demonstrated a sincere appreciation for hard work, integrity, and service as he entered the
12 workforce; he was raised in a close-knit community which valued compassion and service
13 to others, and he embodied these values by freely offering kindness and showing unwavering
14 dedication to family, friends, and those in need; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Gary was a longtime resident and pillar of the Sicily Island
16 community who humbly exuded the power of faith and the beauty of a generous heart; he
17 was a devoted friend, trusted neighbor, and wise mentor to countless members of the
18 community; he was an active member of the Sicily Island Quarterback Club and the Circle
19 of Faith Club, and he found joy in simple pleasures like reading the newspaper and *Jet*
20 magazine; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Gary was employed with the Louisiana Department of
2 Transportation and Development, where he worked as a Mobile Equipment Operator 1
3 (MEO-1) Heavy with the Ferriday Maintenance Unit; he also worked as a store keeper
4 managing drilling equipment for Diamond D Drilling for more than twenty years; he built
5 a career rooted in integrity and excellence, earning the respect and admiration of his
6 colleagues; and

7 WHEREAS, Michael Karl Gary leaves to cherish his loving memory his sons,
8 Jermaine Reynolds (Gayla) and Karlos Gary (KiTonya); daughters, SheMekra Henry,
9 Timeka Gary, and Rockel Gary; sister, Mary Ann Jenkins; brothers, Henry Smith and Robert
10 Lee Smith (Brenda); and sister-in-law, Hazel Gary; he will be deeply missed, but the legacy
11 of his kind and compassionate spirit shall live on in perpetuity in the hearts and minds of
12 those who were privileged to have known and loved him.

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

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