

2026 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59

BY SENATOR JENKINS

CONDOLENCES. Expresses sincere and heartfelt condolences on the passing of Gerald Kimble.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of
3 Louisiana upon the passing of Gerald Kimble.

4 WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow and profound regret that the members of the
5 Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the passing of Gerald Kimble, a
6 legendary figure in Louisiana athletics and a beloved coach and mentor, on March 31, 2026,
7 at the age of eighty-four; and

8 WHEREAS, Gerald Kimble was a proud alumnus of Southern University and A&M
9 College and etched his name into Southern University history as a distinguished and
10 versatile student-athlete, serving as the quarterback for the 1960 Jaguars football team that
11 secured a Black College Football Championship and was also a member of the 1960
12 Southwestern Athletic Conference championship baseball team; and

13 WHEREAS, his professional calling as a coach was defined by his transformative
14 leadership, first exhibited at Green Oaks High School in Shreveport, Louisiana, where he
15 famously reversed the Giants previous winless season into the their first ever winning
16 season, achieving a historic 8-2 record, and led the Giants to their first district championship
17 and playoff appearance, instilling a spirit of "Giant Pride" in the community; and

18 WHEREAS, his illustrious career included service as head coach at his alma mater,

