

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 219

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

CONDOLENCES: Expresses the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Marvin Dan Benoit

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Marvin Dan
3 Benoit.

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, on April 23,
6 2026, of Marvin Dan Benoit; and

7 WHEREAS, Marvin was born on July 3, 1945, and he lived in Leonville, Louisiana;
8 his life was defined by devotion, hard work, and deep love for his family; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Benoit served in the United States Army for six years; and

10 WHEREAS, Marvin was a dedicated residential contractor who took great pride in
11 his craft and providing for those he loved, and he always put the needs of others before his
12 own; and

13 WHEREAS, Marvin shared sixty years of loving marriage with his beloved wife,
14 Melba, whom he love fiercely and unconditionally; his greatest joy was his role as a father
15 and grandfather; he was a steady and selfless presence in the lives of those he loved; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Benoit was known for his generosity and had a way of making
17 others feel valued; his smile lit up a room, and his contagious laughter brought warmth and
18 comfort to everyone around him; he inspired others by serving as an example of humility,
19 kindness, and strength; and

20 WHEREAS, Marvin is survived by his wife, Melba Benoit; sons, Daniel Benoit
21 (Rhonda) and Elie Benoit (Candis); daughters, Amanda Guidry (Glen Venable), Pamela

1 Vincent (Willie), Stacey Bonadona (John), and Anita Douget (Joey); grandchildren, Lubert
2 Guidry, II; Holly Guidry; Hunter Guidry; Brock Benoit; Blake Benoit; Desiree Perry; Braden
3 Benoit; Maddie Benoit; Natalie Wertz; Willie Vincent, Jr.; Jacob Kelsey; Caleb Kelsey;
4 Katherine Kelsey; Ashley Douget; Joey Douget, III; Lana Duvall; Cori Campbell; Codi
5 Campbell; Chandler Douget; Aaron Benoit; and Collin Benoit; twenty-two great-
6 grandchildren; brothers, Frederick Benoit (Betty Courville) and Paul Benoit (Barbara);
7 sisters, Patricia Meche (Herman) and Veronica McCartney (Jerry); and numerous
8 godchildren; and

9 WHEREAS, Marvin Dan Benoit will be deeply missed, but the legacy of his love,
10 sacrifice, and unwavering dedication to his family shall live on in the hearts and minds of
11 those who were privileged to have known and loved him.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Marvin
14 Dan Benoit; does hereby express enduring appreciation for his military service; and does
15 hereby extend sincere wishes that his family, friends, and loved ones find comfort in their
16 shared memories of his beautiful life.

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