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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

BY SENATOR BROWN AND REPRESENTATIVE PRICE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Robert Lee Jackson Sr. for his many years of dedication and service to his community and his country.

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Jackson Sr. was born on December 4, 1939, to the great joy and celebration of his proud parents, the late Sherman and Alice T. Jackson of Geismar, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, as a youth, Robert became a member of the Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church and at the age of twelve, he was baptized by the church and accepted Jesus Christ as his personal savior; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Jackson Sr. learned many important lessons from his parents and his church and grew into manhood with great respect for his neighbors and a heart full of love for his family; and

WHEREAS, in one of the greatest moments of his life he met and fell deeply in love with the late Brenda P. Jackson of Hilliaryville, Louisiana, and in 1961 he asked for her hand in marriage and she accepted; and

WHEREAS, during the course of their marriage, three children, Lamaralus, Robert Jr. and Sherman, were born and raised in a home full of love, respect and God; and

WHEREAS, Robert supported his family with his dedication and hard work as a full-time school bus driver and supplemented that income by working a second job as an employee at a Texaco gasoline station; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Jackson Sr. was always seeking new avenues by which he could move up, make progress, and take better care of his family and with that in mind, he sought employment and was hired by the Uniroyal Chemical Plant in Geismar, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, he used much of what he learned at Uniroyal about the chemical industry in order to get a better position at BASF Chemical Plant as an operator and an instrument technician; and

WHEREAS, Robert had a very successful career with BASF, where he would work for seventeen years, but he was always busy, working to better himself and his family, and ultimately he would create his own company, Robert Jackson Enterprises, LLC, as he continued his life's journey; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, he was one of the founders of the Geismar Volunteer Fire Department, where he served as president for forty years; and

WHEREAS, Robert would serve for eighteen years on the Jambalaya Festival Association of Gonzales, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Jackson Sr. withstood the loneliness of being a widower until he met Louvenia S. Jackson of Cottonport, Louisiana, and in 1973 they were married and began a family of their own that included two children, Daymon and Derrick; and

WHEREAS, Robert Lee Jackson Sr. never lost his love of his neighbors and his community and he continued his public service as a member of the Ascension Parish Fair Association for twenty years, all while he was a member of the State Airport Committee of Gonzales; and

WHEREAS, he never forgot his church and his God as he faithfully served as a member of the trustee board at First Pilgrim Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, where he was often heard saying "I ain't scared" and "Everything is lubby dubby".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend its highest commendations and recognition to Robert Lee Jackson Sr. for a life well spent as a leader in his community, his church and his family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Robert Lee Jackson Sr.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES