

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22

BY REPRESENTATIVES HOFFMANN, CHANEY, FANNIN, HUNTER, KATRINA JACKSON, AND JAY MORRIS AND SENATORS KOSTELKA, RISER, THOMPSON, AND WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Donald Harrison Shows of West Monroe and to recognize and record his distinguished career as a football coach and his many contributions to his community and state.

WHEREAS, Donald Harrison Shows was a resident of West Monroe, a graduate of Ruston High School, where he lettered in basketball, baseball, football, and track, and a graduate of Louisiana Tech University, where he was awarded a track scholarship; and

WHEREAS, it was after college that Donald Harrison Shows began his coaching career, the beginning of fifty successful years as a coach at Haughton High School, Farmerville High, Caldwell Parish High, Ouachita Parish High, Alexandria Senior High, Jonesboro-Hodge High, Pineville High, Ruston High, Northeast Louisiana University, and Northwestern State University; and

WHEREAS, it was in 1989 that he became the football coach for West Monroe High School, where he turned the school into a powerhouse and led West Monroe High School to eight state football titles and coached fourteen state championship appearances; and

WHEREAS, Donald Harrison Shows was the fourth most winning coach in state history and was inducted into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Coach Shows made a positive impact on the lives of many young men that he coached and because he was so envied and respected, he created a lasting legacy; and

WHEREAS, Coach Shows was also a devoted outdoorsman and took advantage of living in Sportsman's Paradise; when he was not spending time on the football field, he could be found on the golf course, lake, deer stand, or duck blind; and

WHEREAS, the members of the legislature wish to recognize Coach Shows for his numerous accomplishments and contributions to the city of West Monroe and especially wish to convey their deepest sympathy to his family: his wife, Daune; his four children, Stephanie, Kimberli, Casey, and Haley; his nine grandchildren, Ryan, Will, Kylee, Chase, Michael, Reece, Raleigh, Stevie Faye, and Donald Gunner; and his two sisters-in-law, Helen and Nelwyn.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize and record the many accomplishments of Donald Harrison Shows during his distinctive career as a dedicated football coach.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Donald Harrison Shows.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE