

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATORS AMEDEE, GARY SMITH AND BROWN AND REPRESENTATIVES
BERTHELOT, LAMBERT, SCHEXNAYDER AND PRICE

CONDOLENCES. To celebrate the life and accomplishments of Mr. Harold Marchand.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of
J. Harold Marchand.

WHEREAS, it is with sincere regret and profound sorrow that the members of the
Senate and House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the
death of J. Harold Marchand, age sixty-two, of Gonzales, Louisiana, who passed away on
March 18, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand was a devoted father to David and Micah Marchand,
loving grandfather to his four grandchildren, beloved fiancé, treasured sibling to his eleven
brothers and sisters, and friend to many; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand was a talented athlete and former defensive tackle for
the LSU Fighting Tiger football team, the first signee from East Ascension High School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand was only the second parish president of Ascension Parish
and in that capacity was responsible for implementing the first road-widening plan for roads
in the parish and was instrumental in the creation of the award-winning finance department
for the parish of Ascension; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand cared deeply for the youth of his parish and organized
the first Ascension Parish Youth Council, a service organization of local teens; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand created the first parish government website and
2 streamlined parish constituent services to better serve the people of Ascension Parish; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand instituted the Ascension 2020 program, a series of
4 parish-wide public meetings to allow constituents of Ascension Parish to participate in the
5 growth and development of the parish; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand was involved in every step of the construction of the
7 Magnolia Business Center building in St. Rose and the Quixote Studios; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Marchand left an indelible impact on Ascension Parish through his
9 many years of service as parish president, sheriff's deputy, justice of the peace, and local
10 business owner.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
12 express genuine sorrow upon the death of Mr. J. Harold Marchand and does hereby extend
13 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and community as they mourn his passing.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
15 family of Mr. J. Harold Marchand.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Ashley Menou.

DIGEST

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SCR No. 125

Expresses condolences upon the tragic passing of Mr. J. Harold Marchand.