

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATORS PERRY, CORTEZ, MILLS AND GUILLORY

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the passing of Jerry F. Meaux, chairman of the Louisiana Racing Commission.

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Jerry F. Meaux, chairman of the Louisiana Racing Commission.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana learned of the death of Jerry F. Meaux on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at the age of seventy-four; and

WHEREAS, Jerry F. Meaux was appointed to serve on the Louisiana Racing Commission by Governor Foster in 1996 and served as a member through 2004; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, he was appointed as the chairman of the Louisiana Racing Commission by Governor Jindal and served in that capacity until his passing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meaux received his first horse trainer's license in the early 1960s, trained quarter horses, and participated in quarter horse races throughout Louisiana, Texas, and New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, by the early 1970s, he transitioned into training thoroughbreds and predominantly raced throughout Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in addition to training horses, Mr. Meaux was a longtime breeder and owner, and was instrumental in launching horse racing at Evangeline Downs in Opelousas; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Meaux was also involved in raising cattle and growing rice, and
2 was the chairman of the South Louisiana Electrical Membership Cooperative for twenty-two
3 years; and

4 WHEREAS, he served on the board of the Acadiana District Livestock Show and
5 sponsored 4-H and Future Farmers of America clubs in his community; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Meaux is survived by his loving wife of fifty-two years, Betty; five
7 children, Steven B. Meaux, Michelle M. Breaux, William B. Meaux, Johnny B. Meaux, and
8 Tommy B. Meaux; five grandchildren, Jamie M. McDaniel, Morgan M. Louviere, Brennan
9 J. Breaux, Avery M. Breaux, and Sydney R. Meaux; and two great-grandchildren, Alex M.
10 McDaniel and Lily C. McDaniel; and

11 WHEREAS, he was a gentleman who was admired by all whose lives he touched,
12 leaves behind a rich and unique legacy, and is greatly missed; and

13 WHEREAS, although the death of Jerry F. Meaux has left a tremendous void in his
14 community, his memory shall live forever in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved
15 him.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
17 does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Jerry F. Meaux,
18 does hereby recognize and record for posterity his accomplishments and contributions, and
19 does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that he will forever bring
20 to his family, friends, community, and the state of Louisiana.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
22 family of Jerry F. Meaux.

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

DIGEST

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