

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATORS PERRY, CORTEZ, GUILLORY AND MILLS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE