SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 252

BY SENATORS CARTER, ALARIO, ALLAIN, APPEL, BARROW, BISHOP, BOUDREAUX, CHABERT, CLAITOR, COLOMB, CORTEZ, DONAHUE, ERDEY, FANNIN, GATTI, HENSGENS, HEWITT, JOHNS, LAFLEUR, LAMBERT, LONG, LUNEAU, MARTINY, MILKOVICH, MILLS, MIZELL, MORRELL, MORRISH, PEACOCK, PETERSON, PRICE, RISER, GARY SMITH, JOHN SMITH, TARVER, THOMPSON, WALSWORTH, WARD AND WHITE

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Rodney L. Braxton.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana learned of the death of Rodney L. Braxton on June 3, 2019, at the age of ninety; and

WHEREAS, Rodney Louis Braxton was born on July 1, 1928, in New Orleans, Louisiana, and was a resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, he served in the Army Air Corps and was a graduate of Xavier University of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braxton taught sixth grade for thirty years in the Orleans Parish School System; and

WHEREAS, he was a devout Catholic and was married to his wife, Veronica, for fifty-six years; and

WHEREAS, an avid reader, Mr. Braxton devoured the written word, particularly items written about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and anything pertaining to President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his loving wife, Veronica; three children, Rodney Braxton, Mark Braxton, and Leslie Braxton; and two grandchildren, Jardin and Christopher; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of its communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure upon people like Rodney L. Braxton; and

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WHEREAS, with the death of Rodney L. Braxton, Louisiana has lost one of its finest sons, a quintessential southern gentleman who loved his community, and whose accomplishments have left an indelible mark upon his community, state, and nation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Rodney L. Braxton and extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that he will forever bring to the New Orleans and Baton Rouge communities, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Rodney L. Braxton.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE