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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35

BY SENATOR JOHNS

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences upon the death of Ann Theresa "Nancy" Mellody Valluzzo.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Ann
3	Theresa "Nancy" Mellody Valluzzo.
4	WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the members of the
5	Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the passing of Ann Theresa "Nancy" Mellody
6	Valluzzo, at the age of eighty, after a brief and courageous battle with cancer, which as with
7	every other challenge in her life, she approached with pragmatism and tenacity; and
8	WHEREAS, Nancy was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, to John and Clare Mellody
9	on January 20, 1940, and was raised in Battle Creek, Michigan, where she met her lifelong
10	love, Charles Valluzzo; and
11	WHEREAS, Nancy and Charles can be seen in their second grade picture together
12	at St. Phillips School and receiving the Sacrament of Communion in that same year was a
13	precursor to the multiple Sacraments they would lovingly share together; and
14	WHEREAS, much like the lyric in Irish Eyes are Smiling, " when Irish eyes are
15	smiling, sure, they steal your heart away." Nancy did just that; she stole Charlie's heart; and
16	WHEREAS, Nancy and Charlie attended school together through college at Western
17	Michigan University and married in 1959; and
18	WHEREAS, the love they shared together along with their strong Catholic Faith

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1 provided a foundation for generations as Nancy was the mother of John Valluzzo (wife Jan), Mary Rebecca Montes de Oca (husband Fermin), Timothy Valluzzo (wife Mary Kate), 2 3 Christopher Valluzzo (wife Krista) and Patrick Valluzzo (wife Rebecca); and 4 WHEREAS, she was the Nana/Nanny of nineteen grandchildren: Nicholas Valluzzo, Michael Valluzzo, FM Montes de Oca, Mellody Buford, Christina Pipes, Anthony Montes 5 6 de Oca, Charles Valluzzo II, Mary Katherine Montes de Oca, Caroline Valluzzo, Mary 7 Alexandra Montes de Oca, Virginia Valluzzo, Harrison Valluzzo, Murphy Valluzzo, Locke 8 Valluzzo, Pierson Valluzzo, Sean Valluzzo, Clare Valluzzo, Gabriel Valluzzo, and Mary 9 Emery Valluzzo, and great grandmother of fifteen; and 10 WHEREAS, from the day the family arrived in Baton Rouge, Nancy provided 11 impactful leadership and commitment to the many organizations she was involved with: she 12 was a Board Member of the American Diabetes Association of Baton Rouge, YWCO, and 13 McMains Children's Development Center; and 14 WHEREAS, she was the proud recipient of the Mother Seaton Award for her tireless 15 efforts at St. Thomas More School and Parish; and 16 WHEREAS, Nancy's passion for her Irish heritage was evident in her home, her faith, and her cooking; on St. Patrick's Day it was common practice to relocate the "o" at the 17 18 end of Valluzzo and move it to the front; and 19 WHEREAS, she had many dear friends in life, Birthday Group, Bridge Group, Book Club, Destin Group, and more over the years; she loved to faithfully toast the sunset during 20 21 Golden Hour; and WHEREAS, she was a voracious reader, an avid tennis player, an accomplished 22 23 Bridge player, and an incredible cook who loved to snow ski and play golf; and 24 WHEREAS, she went by many names: Sweetsie, Mom, Nana/ Nanny, and Nancy; she truly loved living life and will forever be missed; and 25 WHEREAS, the death of Nancy Valluzzo has evoked a tremendous sense of loss 26 27 within the Baton Rouge community, recalling her many years of public service and personal interactions - a remarkable and magnificent woman and a Baton Rouge treasure. 28 29 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 30 express its heartfelt sympathies at the passing of Ann Theresa "Nancy" Mellody Valluzzo,

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- 1 an outstanding community servant; does hereby record for posterity her noteworthy
- 2 contributions to Baton Rouge and to Louisiana; and does hereby express enduring gratitude
- 3 for her life so devoted to the public good.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
 family of Ann Theresa "Nancy" Mellody Valluzzo.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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