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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 276

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences on the death of Joseph Thompson

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Joseph
3	Thompson.
4	WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and profound regret that the House of
5	Representatives has learned of the unexpected passing, on June 2, 2023, of Joseph
6	Thompson; and
7	WHEREAS, Joseph Thompson was born on April 18, 1956, in Bend, Oregon, to
8	Walter Thompson and Mary Lou Mura Thompson; he served many years as the fire chief
9	of the Olla Fire Department, and he was well known for his passion for the department; he
10	also helped build and perform maintenance on fire trucks; and
11	WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson was a board member of the North East Fire Fighters'
12	Association and the Louisiana Fire Chiefs' Association; he was also a lifelong member of
13	the Louisiana State Firemen's Association and served as president from 2019 to 2020; and
14	WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson was inducted into the Louisiana Fire Chiefs' Hall of
15	Fame in November 2020 by the First Responder Christian Association; and
16	WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson cherished his family and loved camping, grilling,
17	cooking briskets, and anything outdoors; and
18	WHEREAS, Joseph Thompson leaves to cherish his memory his wife of more than
19	forty-eight years, Mary Ann Thompson; mother, Mary Lou Thompson; daughters, Crystal
20	Benson, and her husband Eric, and Leigh Ann Thompson, and her husband Cory Dotson;
21	brothers, Chris Thompson, and his wife Sarah, and Anders Thompson, and his wife Laura

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- 1 Ann; sisters, Jennifer Meadows, and her husband Dennis, and Abby Thompson;
- 2 grandchildren, Lynzee Benson and Eric Benson; sister-in-law, Johnnie Fallin, and her
- 3 husband Leslie; and a host of nieces and nephews; he will be deeply missed but certainly
- 4 never forgotten.
- 5 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 6 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Joseph
- 7 Thompson; does hereby recognize his dedicated civil service as fire chief of the Olla Fire
- 8 Department; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, colleagues,
- 9 and loved ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

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