

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

BY REPRESENTATIVES STAGNI AND HUGHES

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences on the death of Caleb Jayden Wilson

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Caleb Jayden
3 Wilson.

4 WHEREAS, Caleb was born on November 1, 2004, to Corey Wilson, Sr., and Urania
5 Brown Wilson of Kenner, Louisiana; he was baptized into the Christian faith by Reverend
6 Mitchell J. Stevens at Pilgrim Baptist Church on January 3, 2010; and

7 WHEREAS, Caleb was a gifted student whose academic ability showed from an
8 early age; he discovered a passion for playing the trumpet while attending Edward Hynes
9 Charter School in New Orleans and was accepted into a program run by The Roots of Music,
10 a nonprofit organization that empowers kids through music education and mentorship, which
11 helped him hone his innate musical ability and gave him the opportunity to perform in
12 France; and

13 WHEREAS, Caleb graduated from Warren Easton High School, where he was a
14 member of the school band, band captain, and section leader for the trumpet players; he
15 maintained a desire to continue refining his musical craft, and as a result, he was accepted
16 into the Trombone Shorty Foundation; the foundation allowed him many opportunities to
17 perform across the United States; he performed in Havana, Cuba, in 2019; and

18 WHEREAS, before graduating from high school, Caleb earned a certificate in
19 general studies from Delgado Community College through Warren Easton High School's
20 dual enrollment program; he attended the Southern University Band Camp three times and

1 was recruited to become a future member of the university's world-renowned band, "The
2 Human Jukebox"; and

3 WHEREAS, Caleb was a founding member of the 110 Brass Band, and he performed
4 for Mademoiselle Dwyn's School of Dance, various cotillions, and other events; he was a
5 member of Nu Phi Omicron, Inc., a nonprofit organization that helps Louisiana's college and
6 high school musicians grow and excel in their craft; and

7 WHEREAS, Caleb was a member of the National Honor Society, student council,
8 and the Warren Easton baseball team; he competed on the New Orleans Recreation
9 Department (NORD) swim team and worked as a NORD lifeguard; and

10 WHEREAS, at the time of his passing, Caleb was a junior majoring in mechanical
11 engineering at Southern University and A&M College in Baton Rouge; he was a member
12 of the National Society of Black Engineers and a junior usher and active member of Pilgrim
13 Baptist Church's Youth Ministry; and

14 WHEREAS, Caleb was able to live out his dream as a member of the Southern
15 University Band, and he performed and marched on the field of the Caesars Superdome
16 during Super Bowl LIX; he also played during the nationally-televised "Bayou Classic"
17 games in New Orleans; and

18 WHEREAS, Caleb is survived by his parents, Corey and Urania Wilson; siblings,
19 Coren and Corey, Jr.; grandmothers, Eulalia Porter and Veronica Temple; grandfather,
20 Albert Brown; godparents, Reverend Richard Eugene Wilson, Yolanda Curtis Wilson, Alicia
21 Alexander, and Jeffrey Alexander; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, extended relatives,
22 and friends; he will be deeply missed, but the spirit of his music and legacy of his love shall
23 live on in perpetuity in the hearts and minds of those who were privileged to have known
24 him.

25 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
26 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Caleb
27 Jayden Wilson and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends, and loved
28 ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

DIGEST

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