BY SENATORS STINE, ABRAHAM AND REESE AND REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIAQUE, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, FARNUM, GEYMANN, ROMERO AND TARVER

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of Daniel Michael "Mike" Danahay Jr., and to recognize his lifetime of service, faith, and dedication to his family, community, and country.

WHEREAS, it is with deep sorrow and respect that the members of the Legislature of Louisiana acknowledge the passing of Daniel Michael "Mike" Danahay Jr., on February 21, 2025, at the age of ninety-eight; and

WHEREAS, Mike was a man of unwavering faith, integrity, and devotion; qualities that defined his life as a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather; and

WHEREAS, Mike was born in Eureka, Illinois, to Daniel Michael and Reta C. Danahay and he became a resident of Sulphur, Louisiana, in 1946, where he spent the majority of his life; and

WHEREAS, Mike began his higher education at Georgia Military College before serving as a military police officer in Europe during World War II, demonstrating his patriotism and commitment to his country; and

WHEREAS, after his honorable discharge from the Army, Mike continued his education at McNeese Junior College and SOWELA Technical Community College, preparing for a career in the electrical field that spanned over forty years until his retirement in 1988; and

WHEREAS, as a skilled electrician and dedicated professional, he was a proud member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union 861 and a past chairman of the Lake Charles Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Committee; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to community service was evident in his membership with the American Legion Post 179 (Sulphur), his status as a charter member of The National WWII Museum, and his certification as a member of The Sons of the Republic of Texas; and

WHEREAS, his faith was the foundation of his life, and he was a devoted member

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of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Sulphur, serving as a Eucharistic minister, an usher, past president and member of the parish council, trustee of the parish, and a member of the building committee; and

WHEREAS, Mike was also a past member of the Bishop's Diocesan Development Committee for the Diocese of Lafayette and he was recognized for his dedicated service to the Diocese of Lake Charles with various honors including the Maple Leaf Award and the Devoted Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Mike was instrumental in the establishment of the Knights of Columbus Councils 5755 and 8322, as well as the Fourth Degree Father Veillard Assembly 2087, demonstrating his lifelong commitment to his faith and service organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mike was deeply loved by his family, including his children: Michael Edward Danahay and wife, Daphne; Daniel Patrick Danahay; Catherine "Cathy" Rosteet and husband Sidney; Margaret "Peggy" Ducote and husband, Rodney; Ann Galbraith and husband, David; and Kelly Taylor and husband, Bryan; his twelve grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; and twenty great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mike was preceded in death by his loving wife of sixty years, Helen C. Danahay; his parents Daniel and Reta Danahay; and his sisters Jane Kramer and Pat Bienvenu; and

WHEREAS, the passing of Mike Danahay Jr., leaves a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and all those who had the privilege of knowing him and his legacy of faith, service, and dedication will live on through those he loved and influenced.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere condolences upon the passing of Daniel Michael "Mike" Danahay Jr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Daniel Michael "Mike" Danahay Jr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES