

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33

BY SENATORS MCMATH, ABRAHAM, ALLAIN, BASS, BOUDREAUX, BOUIE, CARTER, CATHEY, CONNICK, EDMONDS, FESI, FOIL, HENRY, HENSGENS, JACKSON-ANDREWS, LAMBERT, LUNEAU, MIGUEZ, MIZELL, MORRIS, MYERS, OWEN, PRESSLY, PRICE, REESE, SELDERS, STINE, TALBOT AND WHEAT AND REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize the service of Covington Fire Chief Gary Blocker Jr. and to express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana to his family upon the occasion of his passing.

WHEREAS, Gary Stephen Blocker Jr. passed away on Tuesday, May 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Gary was a devoted husband, son, brother, and father and is survived by his loving wife, Tammy, his children, Alidia and Brycen, his parents, Linda and Gary S. Blocker Sr., and his siblings, Jeannie and Colt; and

WHEREAS, he loved to travel with his family and cherished his children and always wanted the best for them; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Gary Blocker Jr. was a firefighter down to his core, and he dedicated over twenty-seven years to full-time firefighter service; and

WHEREAS, he always did what was right and never what benefitted him personally; and

WHEREAS, Chief Blocker started his lifelong commitment to fire service at the age of sixteen, when he saw a house on fire on his way to school and stopped to pull people out; and

WHEREAS, Chief Blocker's drive was unbelievable, he helped start the first Fire Prevention Bureau in the city of Covington and went on to become Chief of Prevention; and

WHEREAS, the city of Covington is a safer place because of him; and

WHEREAS, moving from Chief of Prevention to Fire Chief, he was able to take the fire department forward and make it even better; and

WHEREAS, whether improving equipment, purchasing new fire trucks, or hiring more firefighters, his goal was always to make the fire department better than the day before; and

WHEREAS, Chief Blocker has left a heart-shaped footprint in the city of Covington;
and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington Fire Department is forever grateful for the sacrifice of the Blocker family as they shared so much of him with not only the department but the entire community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize the service of Covington Fire Chief Gary Blocker Jr. and does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences to his family upon the occasion of his passing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Gary Blocker Jr.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES