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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 188

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences upon the death of Jay Rink, former football standout at Brother Martin High School and Tulane University

A RESOLUTION

2	To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Jay Rink,
3	former football standout at Brother Martin High School and Tulane University.
4	WHEREAS, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that the Louisiana House of
5	Representatives has learned of the death of Jay Rink on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at the age
6	of forty-seven, after a courageous five-year battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS);
7	and
8	WHEREAS, in 1986, Mr. Rink graduated from Brother Martin High School, where
9	he was an outstanding member of the football team; and
10	WHEREAS, following his senior season of high school football, Mr. Rink joined the
11	Brother Martin High School wrestling team and won a state championship in the
12	heavyweight division; and
13	WHEREAS, in February of 1986, Mr. Rink signed with Tulane University; as a
14	member of the Green Wave football team, he set a school record with seven career fumble
15	recoveries, a record which still remains today; and
16	WHEREAS, during his junior and senior year at Tulane University, Mr. Rink led the
17	Green Wave in sacks; his thirteen career sacks remains in the top ten of Tulane history; and
18	WHEREAS, in June of 2010, Mr. Rink was diagnosed with ALS; in an effort to help
19	offset medical expenses and to give back to those who fight against ALS, Mr. Rink's family
20	and co-workers formed "Jay's Defensive Line" and hosted a festival each spring in honor of
21	Mr. Rink; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Rink remained active with Brother Martin High School after his 2 diagnosis with ALS; he would frequently attend sporting events to show his support and 3 pride for the Crusaders; and 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Rink is survived by his loving wife, Michelle; eight children; his sisters, Lynn Crozier and her husband Rick, and Shannon Bell and her husband Chris; his 5 6 parents, Joe and Patsy Rink; many nieces and nephews; and numerous devoted friends; and 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Rink will forever be remembered for his extraordinary athletic 8 ability and his uplifting spirit; and 9 WHEREAS, the death of Jay Rink has left a tremendous void in his community and 10 has created a genuine sense of sorrow in the many individuals who knew and loved this extraordinary man. 11 12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the 14 death of Jay Rink, former football standout at Brother Martin High School and Tulane 15 University; does hereby record for posterity his profound talent and outstanding abilities; 16 does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the pride and honor that this extraordinary man 17 will forever bring to his family, friends, community, and the state of Louisiana; and does 18 hereby extend deepest regret upon the loss of this most cherished gentleman whose legacy 19 shall forever remain a source of tremendous pride, joy, and honor in the minds and hearts 20 of all who knew and loved him. 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 22 to the family of Jay Rink.

DIGEST

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