

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the members of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Bob Gene Haynie.

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that the members of the Legislature of Louisiana have learned of the death of Bob Gene Haynie on February 14, 2016, at the age of eighty-seven; and

WHEREAS, Bob Gene Haynie was born on October 23, 1928, in Dewey, Oklahoma, to George Lee and Leila "Sissy" Belle; and

WHEREAS, in 1946, Mr. Haynie graduated from Pampa High School in Pampa, Texas; after graduation, he moved to Fort Collins, Colorado, and became a certified mechanic for John Deere; and

WHEREAS, in 1948, he joined the United States Air Force and was stationed at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi, where he worked as a radar mechanic; and

WHEREAS, in November of 1950, Mr. Haynie met the love of his life, Celina Machin, on a blind date in New Orleans; the couple married on January 6, 1951, and in January of 2016, they celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, Mr. Haynie was honorably discharged from the Air Force, and he began a fulfilling career in the oilfield business for City Service; and

WHEREAS, he and his wife, Celina, moved throughout Louisiana and Mississippi with their family before settling in Houma in 1956; and

WHEREAS, while living in Houma, Mr. Haynie served as Cub Master to Pack 385 and Scout Master to Pack 311 of Boys Scouts of America; he was awarded the Cub Master of the Year Award and the Scout Master of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie's exceptional leadership with Boy Scouts of America earned him the Woods Badge, and he was inducted into the Boy Scouts of America National Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow; and

WHEREAS, he helped design and build the first pinewood derby track in Houma; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Mr. Haynie and his family moved to Lafayette; he worked for Forest Oil Corporation until his retirement in 1985; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, he enjoyed woodworking, hunting, traveling with his wife, spending time with family, and celebrating holidays; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haynie is survived by his wife of sixty-five years, Celina; his sons and daughters-in-law, Randy and Daynese, Bonnie, Mike and Mary and, Dale and Christine; his daughter Barbara and her husband Bill; his grandchildren, Ellen Lejeune and her husband Robert, Colleen Blanchet, Lenny Haynie, Ryan Haynie and his wife Alana, Dayna Haynie, and Rachel French and her husband Jonathon; his great-grandchildren, Liam, Conner, Pierce, Foster, Elise, Ainsley, Sidney, Hunter, and Juliette; his niece, Cheryl Haynie; and his nephew, Hal Haynie; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Harold; and his eldest sons, Bruce Gene and Alan Lee Haynie; and

WHEREAS, although the death of Bob Gene Haynie has left a tremendous void in the state, his legacy shall forever remain in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved this extraordinary man.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Bob Gene Haynie and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that this wonderful man will forever bring to his family, friends, and community, the city of Lafayette, the state of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of Bob Gene Haynie.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE