A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
death of Leonell Wilkes Clausen, mother, grandmother, sister, manager,
civic leader, bus driver, justice of the peace, and friend.

WHEREAS, it is with great regret that the citizens of Louisiana have
learned of the death of Leonell Wilkes Clausen, a native of Louisiana who had
a long and distinguished career of service to her community, Louisiana, and
its people; and

WHEREAS, Nell Clausen, "Mama Nell", was a loving and dedicated
mother, and a committed grandmother whose love of family was of utmost
importance in her life; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life she was a dedicated citizen of
Louisiana, who worked tirelessly on a multitude of business, civic, political,
charitable, and religious causes; and

WHEREAS, Nell Clausen was most commonly known as an advocate
for the under-represented; and

CONDOLENCES. Expresses condolences on the death of Leonell Wilkes
Clausen.
WHEREAS, Sidney, her trusty golden retriever, and "Mama Nell"
traveled to remote areas of St. Mary Parish to deliver food and much needed
services to those without transportation, in addition she was responsible for
contacting Baton Rouge and Washington to obtain the needed resources for
her parish and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Nell Clausen managed a credit bureau, drove a school bus,
started and worked in a school for the handicapped named Center of Hope,
served in the elected position of justice of the peace, attended Nicholls State
University so she could "keep up", with the kids, and raised a son, daughter,
and a foster child; and

WHEREAS, because of her numerous accomplishments, Leonell
Wilkes Clausen, "Mama Nell", will forever be remembered by the people and
friends of Louisiana for her integrity, dignity, generosity, and the joy she left
in the hearts of all who knew her.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana
acknowledges with gratitude the many outstanding services and
accomplishments of Leonell Wilkes Clausen and extends sincere regrets and
condolences to her family on the occasion of her death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be
transmitted to Sally Clausen, Tom Clausen, and Kenneth Gray.

The original instrument and the following digest, which
constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared
by Tammy Crain Waldrop.

DIGEST

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