SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 127

BY SENATORS CARTER AND MORRELL AND REPRESENTATIVE GARY CARTER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Eric John Songy.

WHEREAS, it is with deep regrets and profound sorrow that the citizens of Louisiana learned of Eric John Songy, at the age of sixty-six, passing away peacefully at his home on March 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Eric Songy was born to Iris Manning and Kenneth Songy on April 19, 1952; he was a graduate of St. John Vianney Preparatory High School and Nicholls State University, and attended Clemson University; and

WHEREAS, Eric Songy, a humble man, is survived by his wife of forty-four years, Kathy Gisclair Songy; two daughters, Kasey Bealer and Kelly Nelson; four grandchildren, Woodrow, Ruby, Asher and Angelle; a sister, Monica Trepagnier; and four brothers, Gary, Kenny, Kirk and Daniel, who are all proud of his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, he worked at Mississippi Chemical, Touro Infirmary, D.H. Holmes, and Standard Coffee Service, where he retired as the IT Director and worked as an independent IT consultant for many years; and

WHEREAS, as a longtime Algiers community activist, Eric Songy was a proud resident of Algiers and diligently served that community for more than thirty years; he was a regular attendee at the Algiers' Development District board meetings, and president of the Algiers' Neighborhood Association; and

WHEREAS, he was a former president of the Edna Karr PTO and the Bocage Civic Association, member of the Welcome Table New Orleans, and the Algiers Police Advisory Committee (APAC), and chair of the Algiers Neighborhood Presidents Council (ANPC); and

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WHEREAS, Eric Songy was also involved with various groups such as Algiers One, the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit, the "New" Friends of Brechtel Park, NORDC Community Advisory Team, Mardi Gras Police Breakfast, and the Association for Gifted and Talented Students; and

WHEREAS, he spearheaded the "Fix My Streets" campaign on the Westbank and worked closely with the Fourth District Police Department and Brian Legarde from Project NOLA to help keep the community safe; and

WHEREAS, Eric John Songy, a civic leader and community activist, will always be remembered and appreciated by the Algiers community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Eric John Songy and extend enduring appreciation for his tremendous pride, honor, and community service in Algiers, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kathy Gisclair Songy.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES