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## A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Louisiana Republican State Central Committee upon the death of Bruce Patrick Donnelly.

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness and professional regret that the Louisiana Republican State Central Committee has learned of the passing of the February 2025 passing of Bruce Patrick Donnelly, and

WHEREAS, Bruce was born on December 17, 1946 in the Queens borough of New York City, moved to Louisiana as a teenager, and graduated from St. Aloysius High School in New Orleans in 1964, and

WHEREAS, Bruce received a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from Tulane University in 1968; he was married to Karen Donnelly for thirty-three years. And they resided in Jefferson Parish, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Donnelly was an active member of the Republican Party and served on the Republican State Central Committee for many years; he remained active in the Pelican State Pachyderm Club until his passing, and.

WHEREAS, Mr. Donnelly volunteered on the political campaigns of Governor David Treen, Congressman Steve Scalise, Congressman Robert Livingston, Congressman Ralph Abraham, President Ronald Reagan, President Donald Trump, United States Senator John Kennedy, and many others, and

WHEREAS, Bruce Patrick Donnelly is best remembered as a friend of anyone he encountered, he will be deeply missed, but the legacy of his service shall live on in the hearts and minds of those who were privileged to have known him.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican State Central Committee of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Bruce Patrick Donnelly, and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that his family, friends and loved ones find comfort in their shared memories of his beautiful life.

## **A RESOLUTION**

To express the condolences of the Louisiana Republican State Central Committee upon the death of Jay Batt

WHEREAS, Republican Party of Louisiana Deputy Chairman Jay Batt, a lifelong and fifth-generation New Orleanian, has entered eternity, leaving behind a legacy of service, civic pride, and dedication to the city he loved;

WHEREAS, Jay was a graduate of both Tulane University and the University of New Orleans and Jay's commitment to New Orleans was deeply rooted in both community and action;

**WHEREAS**, Jay served the city as the lone Republican member of the New Orleans City Council from 2002 to 2006, where he was known for his passionate advocacy for neighborhoods, public safety, and economic revitalization;

WHEREAS, beyond elected office, Jay remained an engaged and tireless leader in civic life, serving on many boards, of particular note being his decades of service as a member and president of the Sugar Bowl Committee;

WHEREAS Jay was a committed Republican, playing a vital role in party leadership at both the local and state level including decades of service in the RSCC, deputy chair and finance chair of the Republican Party of Louisiana and chairman of the Orleans Parish Republican Executive Committee;

WHEREAS, Jay was deeply loved by his wife Andrée and their two daughters, Bailey and Kelly;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Louisiana does hereby honor Jay Batt as a great husband, father, friend, principled leader, dedicated public servant, and proud son of New Orleans whose work left a lasting imprint on the community.