

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 68

BY SENATORS COLOMB, BARROW, HEWITT, MIZELL AND PETERSON AND REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE, CARPENTER, DAVIS, EMERSON, HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HORTON, JACKSON, NANCY LANDRY, MARCELLE, MORENO, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES, THOMAS AND WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Tamiko Terraz Stroud on being selected to receive a High School Women of Excellence Award and a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

WHEREAS, Tamiko Terraz Stroud is the daughter of Ira and Tamiko Garrison, resides in Donaldsonville, Louisiana, and is a senior at Donaldsonville High School with a 4.2 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, she is dually enrolled in the Ascension Parish School Board's Early College Option program at River Parishes Community College which affords Tamiko the opportunity to simultaneously graduate with a high school diploma and an associate's degree in arts and humanities; and

WHEREAS, while attending high school, Tamiko was a member of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, National Honor Society, National Beta Club, National Society of High School Scholars, track team, band, dance team, and she attended Louisiana Girls State; and

WHEREAS, in her community, she served as president of the Donaldsonville Mayor's Youth Advisory Council for three terms, was a member and vice president of the Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council, a charter member and secretary of the Young Voices of Ascension Gavel Club, and a charter member of National Congress of Black Women Greater Baton Rouge Region; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Tamiko was awarded the Louisiana Volunteer Service Award by Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser and she was awarded scholarships from the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus, New Orleans Saintsations, Baton Rouge State Fair Foundation,

Dillard University, and Southern University Honor's College; and

WHEREAS, Tamiko was named the 2017 Student of the Year by Donaldsonville High School, 2017 Teenager of the Year by Donaldsonville Area Chamber of Commerce, Miss Sunshine 2017, Miss Donaldsonville Teen 2015, 2017 Zulu Social Aid and Pleasure Club Maid, and a Top Jag by Southern University Alumni Federation; and

WHEREAS, in the summer of 2017, Tamiko will be presented as a debutante by the Baton Rouge Delta Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2017, she will attend Southern University Honor's College with a double major in finance and English and upon obtaining her bachelor of science degrees, Tamiko plans to acquire a juris doctor degree from Southern University's Law Center and practice corporate law; and

WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, for 2017, there are four categories for the Women of Excellence Awards: College Women of Excellence, High School Women of Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Nonprofit of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2017 Women of Excellence Awards are being recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of Excellence Awards & Scholarships Ceremony and Reception on Tuesday, May 9, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Tamiko has been named a recipient of a 2017 Women of Excellence Award in the category of High School Women of Excellence and is also a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship for her accomplishments and personification of excellence in integrity, character, academics, leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, Tamiko merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and it is appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Tamiko upon receipt of a 2017 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation and a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Tamiko Terraz Stroud upon receipt of a 2017 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of High School Women of Excellence and the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that she brings to her community and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Tamiko Terraz Stroud.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES