

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 150

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARROW

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Ms. Wheelchair Louisiana and welcomes her to the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Anita Gray upon her selection as Ms. Wheelchair Louisiana 2013.

3 WHEREAS, on December 17, 2012, thirteen years after a spinal cord injury left her
4 wheelchair-bound, Anita Gray was crowned Ms. Wheelchair Louisiana 2013 and it is
5 appropriate to commend her for her service to the state of Louisiana; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray is a native of West Baton Rouge Parish and is currently
7 pursuing an online degree while working from home as a technical advisor; and

8 WHEREAS, instead of becoming despondent and ineffective as a result of her loss
9 of function, through prayer and support from her family, church, and community, Ms. Gray
10 has used her injury as an inspiration to mentor and assist others who have spinal cord
11 injuries; and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray passionately advocates for other disabled adults in Louisiana
13 to live independently, and she participated in a short film used by the Statewide Independent
14 Living Council; and

15 WHEREAS, as Ms. Wheelchair Louisiana, Ms. Gray travels throughout the state
16 promoting independent living for the disabled and handicapped and advocates for
17 compliance, in all public places, with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities
18 Act; and

19 WHEREAS, this summer, Ms. Gray will travel to Houston, Texas, to represent
20 Louisiana in the national competition for the title of Ms. Wheelchair America; and

1 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Anita Gray for her extraordinary success,
2 dauntless spirit, admirable courage, and noteworthy determination as a highly successful
3 advocate, champion, and role model for others with spinal cord injuries; and

4 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities,
5 and the overall vitality of American society depend in great measure upon people like Anita
6 Gray, a true Louisiana hero and an inspiration to all; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray has distinguished herself as an exemplary and highly admired
8 citizen of Louisiana, and she merits a special measure of commendation for the tremendous
9 pride, honor, and joy that she brings to all who know and love her.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
11 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Anita Gray upon being named
12 Ms. Wheelchair Louisiana 2013, for she exemplifies all that is good about Louisiana.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature
14 of Louisiana does hereby recognize and record the extraordinary accomplishments and
15 achievements of Anita Gray, does hereby extend enduring gratitude for the contributions she
16 has made to her community, her family, and society, and does hereby wish her success, good
17 health, and happiness in the future.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
19 to Anita Gray.

DIGEST

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