BY SENATOR MURRAY

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton, wife, daughter, mother, civic and community leader and friend.

WHEREAS, Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton was born on March 7, 1925, and entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, April 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton was the wife of the late Nile Joseph Hamilton Sr., daughter of the late Irving Darensbourg and Thelma "Lilly" Mouton, mother of Nile J. Hamilton Jr., Judy H. Honore', Dardanella H. Powell, Hedy H. Duplessis, Ricardo X. Hamilton, Townsley E. Hamilton, Rhett A. Hamilton Sr. and Teri A. Hamilton; and

WHEREAS, she was a homemaker, entrepreneur, "modiste-extraordinaire"; and WHEREAS, Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton was the owner and operator of Hamilton's Sweet Shop; and

WHEREAS, she attended St. Mary's Academy where she developed an everlasting love for the Sisters of the Holy Family and was a devoted and faithful member of Corpus Christi-Epiphany Catholic Church, Answering Mary's Call Rosary Group over twenty-five years, March Birthday Lunch Bunch, and the Whisterchats; and

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

WHEREAS, Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton, because of numerous accomplishments in public and private life, will be forever remembered by the people and friends whose lives she touched for her integrity, dignity, and joy she left in the hearts of all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton will be sadly missed by her relatives, friends, priest and parishioners of Corpus Christi-Epiphany Catholic Church, employees of Norfolk Southern Railroad, Lucent Technologies, Freemont Unified School SR NO. 100 ENROLLED

District, NetPLEA Governmental Collections & Consulting, United States Postal Service, Caddo Parish Schools, Monteleone Hotel, VouInteers of America, United Parcel Service, and McDonogh 35 Senior High School.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby respectfully acknowledge the many accomplishments of Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton 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 the family of Dardanella Gabrielle Darensbourg Hamilton.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE