2015 Regular Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 163** 

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERTHELOT

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Kara Gremillion upon her many accomplishments as an extraordinary student and athlete.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Kara Gremillion for her outstanding achievements as an extraordinary student and athlete; and

WHEREAS, Kara Gremillion is a 2015 graduate of St. Amant High School, where she maintained a 4.31 weighted GPA and was a member of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, she is the daughter of Ken and Claudia Gremillion of St. Amant, Louisiana, and she is the sister of Courtney, Bo, and Bailey; and

WHEREAS, Kara is a member of Most Blessed Sacrament Church in Baton Rouge and is also a mentor with the Operation First Base Outreach program, a community mission project that shares the gospel, softball skills, and lunch with underserved youth in the community; in her free time, she volunteers with a food bank and homeless shelters and enjoys coaching youth softball teams; and

WHEREAS, Kara will attend the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where she has received a softball scholarship and an academic scholarship in recognition of her outstanding achievements; and

WHEREAS, throughout her years at St. Amant High School, Kara won many awards for her incredible athletic ability; she was the recipient of *The Advocate's* Athlete of the Year Award for two consecutive years in 2014 and 2015, and was voted most valuable player in volleyball, basketball, and softball; and

WHEREAS, throughout her four years at St. Amant High School, Kara has been an exceptional volleyball, basketball, and softball player; and

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WHEREAS, she helped lead the St. Amant High School volleyball team to the Division I semifinals, and she also led the softball team to a 27-1 record and a spot in the Class 5A semifinals; and

WHEREAS, as the senior shortstop for the St. Amant High School softball team, Kara was named the 2015 Gatorade Louisiana Softball Player of the Year in recognition of her high academic achievement and exemplary personal character, including volunteerism, sportsmanship, and community leadership; she also had three straight Louisiana Sports Writer Association Class 5A All-State softball distinctions; and

WHEREAS, Kara completed her high school softball performance with a .528 batting average, including .582 with runners in scoring positions, a .614 on-base percentage, a .870 slugging percentage, seventeen home runs, twelve triples, forty-nine doubles, one hundred nineteen runs batted in, and seventy stolen bases in seventy-three attempts in four seasons as a starting player and lead-off batter for the St. Amant High School Gators softball team; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 and 2015, she was named by NOLA.com as the preseason player of the year and the postseason player of the year, and she was a three-time Louisiana Softball Coaches Association First Team All-State selection; and

WHEREAS, she was also named the Metropolitan MVP Softball Player of the Year in 2014 and 2015, and she played on the All-State volleyball team in 2014 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, Kara Gremillion merits a special measure of commendation for the tremendous pride and honor that she brings to her family, friends, community, St. Amant High School, and the state of Louisiana for her extraordinary academic achievements and athletic ability and upon her many well-deserved awards and recognitions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Kara Gremillion upon her accomplishments in academics and sports; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her outstanding achievements as a student and athlete; and does hereby extend best wishes of continued success to Kara Gremillion in her future.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Kara Gremillion.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES