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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75

BY REPRESENTATIVES NANCY LANDRY, BARRAS, BISHOP, COUSSAN, EMERSON, TERRY LANDRY, MONTOUCET, AND PIERRE AND SENATORS BOUDREAUX, CORTEZ, MILLS, AND PERRY

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Stephen Lutz, of Lafayette, for being a member of the World Champion Team USA Physically Challenged baseball team

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To commend Stephen Lutz, of Lafayette, a member of the World Champion Team USA
3	Physically Challenged baseball team.
4	WHEREAS, born without his left leg below the knee, without toes on his right foot,
5	and with just two full fingers on his pitching hand, Stephen Lutz has not let his disabilities
6	define him; and
7	WHEREAS, with a prosthetic leg and sheer determination, Stephen excels at the
8	sport of baseball: he was a starting pitcher for Ascension Episcopal High School in Lafayette
9	and finished a season under Coach Lonny Landry with a record of 4-1, an earned run average
10	of 2.96, forty-five strikeouts, and allowed his opponents a batting average of only 0.184; and
11	WHEREAS, Stephen was a baseball letterman from 2010-2014, made the Academic
12	All-District team in 2013 and 2014, and in his second year of college is a pitcher for the
13	Mississippi College Choctaws in Clinton, Mississippi; and
14	WHEREAS, skateboarding, basketball, weightlifting, and wakeboarding are
15	numbered among Stephen Lutz's many athletic pursuits, and in track, he won three gold
16	medals in the Endeavor Games for the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter runs; and
17	WHEREAS, the abilities of Stephen Lutz yielded a highly coveted place on the Team
18	USA Physically Challenged baseball team, and in June of 2015, Stephen and his teammates
19	earned a visit to the White House to celebrate their gold medal from the 2014 3rd World
20	Baseball Cup - Physically Challenged Baseball Tournament at the Tajima Dome in

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1 Toyooka, Japan; in the tournament, Stephen pitched a 15-3 win against Chinese Taipei, and

- 2 the Team USA Physically Challenged baseball team went on to defeat Korea, Puerto Rico,
- 3 Taiwan, and Japan to claim the world title; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Stephen Lutz continues to inspire others with his determination to
- 5 overcome any obstacles he encounters, and his journey is an encouragement to all to strive
- 6 to live a full and adventurous life; and
- WHEREAS, members of the Legislature of Louisiana are filled with pride in the
- 8 accomplishments of Stephen Lutz and congratulate him for his outstanding accomplishments
- 9 in the great American sport, baseball.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
- 11 commend Stephen Lutz for his awesome abilities in sports; does hereby extend
- 12 congratulations to Stephen and to Team USA for their championship win in the 2014 3rd
- World Baseball Cup Physically Challenged Baseball Tournament; and does hereby express
- best wishes for unfettered success in every endeavor he undertakes in the future.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 16 to Stephen Lutz.

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