

2026 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 206

BY SENATOR MIZELL

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Courtney McCool Griffeth upon being inducted into the 2026 class of the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Courtney McCool Griffeth, Olympian, NCAA champion, and coach, upon
3 being inducted into the 2026 class of the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame.

4 WHEREAS, Courtney McCool Griffeth, Olympian, collegiate gymnast, and coach,
5 will be honored, recognized, and inducted as a member of the 2026 class of the USA
6 Gymnastics Hall of Fame on Saturday, August 8, 2026, in conjunction with the 2026 Xfinity
7 U.S. Gymnastics Championships and National Congress and Trade Show in Phoenix,
8 Arizona; and

9 WHEREAS, a 2004 Olympian and NCAA champion and coach, Courtney McCool
10 Griffeth, is being celebrated for her contributions to women's artistic gymnastics, which
11 includes a decorated career as an elite and collegiate athlete; and

12 WHEREAS, following a strong performance at the U.S. Olympic Trials, Courtney
13 earned a coveted spot on Team USA to compete in the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece,
14 earning a silver medal in the team competition; and

15 WHEREAS, leading up to the Olympic games, Courtney earned high marks at the
16 2003 Pan American Games in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, contributing to the
17 team's gold medal and placing second in the vault, and at the 2004 U.S. National
18 Championships, she claimed a silver medal on floor and earned a bronze medal on beam;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, following her successful elite career, Courtney McCool Griffeth entered
3 the world of collegiate gymnastics, first as an athlete competing as a GymDog for the
4 University of Georgia from 2007 to 2010 and later as a coach; and

5 WHEREAS, while competing for the University of Georgia, she was a four-time
6 NCAA champion, earning the 2008 NCAA floor exercise title and contributing to three
7 straight NCAA national championship teams; and

8 WHEREAS, after hanging up her grips, Courtney, fueled by her love and passion for
9 gymnastics, moved into the coaching arena, holding positions at Texas Woman's University,
10 the University of Arkansas, and the University of Utah where she contributed to the
11 advancement and success of each program; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2021, Courtney began her coaching tenure at Louisiana State
13 University, primarily leading the beam and floor squads, and was instrumental in the climb
14 to LSU's historic 2024 NCAA women's gymnastics national championship; and

15 WHEREAS, through her achievements as an Olympian, NCAA champion and
16 respected and successful collegiate coach, Courtney McCool Griffeth has distinguished
17 herself as one of the nation's most accomplished figures in the sport of gymnastics and her
18 induction in the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame class of 2026 stands as a fitting tribute to her
19 extraordinary legacy and lasting contributions to gymnastics.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
21 does hereby commend Courtney McCool Griffeth upon being inducted into the 2026 class
22 of the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame and does hereby express sincere wishes for continued
23 success and prosperity.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
25 Courtney McCool Griffeth.

