

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 129

BY SENATOR ALARIO

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Cheryl Gaudin on her retirement and for forty-two years of meritorious and dedicated service.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Cheryl Elliott Gaudin, longtime legislative assistant to Senate President John

A. Alario Jr., for her distinguished career and to congratulate her upon the occasion of her retirement after forty-two years of outstanding public service to the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Cheryl Gaudin began her career with President John Alario during his first legislative term in District 83 of the House of Representatives that began in January 1972; and

WHEREAS, as a loyal and dedicated assistant, Cheryl has always been willing to go the extra mile and to share her knowledge and expertise with others, and has always conducted herself in the most adept, concise, and compassionate manner in her efforts to assist the constituency of the district; and

WHEREAS, President Alario attributes Cheryl's focus, dedication to the task at hand, and professional standard of excellence as essential elements of their working relationship that have enabled him to carry out his official responsibilities in the most efficient manner possible; and

WHEREAS, throughout these four decades, Cheryl has provided the highest quality of legislative support services; and

1 WHEREAS, during the aftermath of hurricanes or other devastating emergencies her
2 tireless spirit provided a calming demeanor and a helpful hand to assist the countless
3 families adversely affected by those events; and

4 WHEREAS, Cheryl Gaudin exemplifies all of the finest qualities of a proficient
5 public servant often at the sacrifice of her family time and personal activities; and

6 WHEREAS, Cheryl has the distinction of being the longest-serving legislative
7 assistant and with term limits in place this accomplishment may never be exceeded; and

8 WHEREAS, her numerous accomplishments and contributions will long be
9 remembered by those people she helped along the way; and

10 WHEREAS, Cheryl looks forward to her retirement along with her husband, Calvin,
11 who has also recently retired and with whom she will soon celebrate their forty-second
12 wedding anniversary; and

13 WHEREAS, keeping Cheryl busy in her retirement will be the loves of her life, her
14 four young grandchildren, Sophia and Dominick Landry, and Brad and Avery Darda, and
15 her daughters and her sons-in-law, Alicia and Don Landry, and Lauren and Brad Darda; and

16 WHEREAS, a passionate New Orleans Saints and LSU football fan with a penchant
17 for country music and theater, she looks forward to trips to her favorite beaches, bed and
18 breakfast inns, and travels along the eastern coast with friends that include Charlene Perez,
19 craft shows, shopping excursions with her sisters, Phyllis Wiseman and Michelle Verges,
20 along with afternoons filled with baking cookies and working on "Granna" craft projects
21 with her grandchildren; and

22 WHEREAS, as her tenure in state service draws to a close in 2014, after such highly
23 productive service to the citizens of House of Representatives District 83, Senate District 8,
24 and the entire state of Louisiana, Cheryl looks forward to her time with family and friends,
25 but will always carry fond memories of her time at the State Capitol.

26 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
27 commend Cheryl Elliott Gaudin for her forty-two years of service as legislative assistant to
28 The Honorable John A. Alario Jr., and does hereby extend its best wishes to her and her
29 family for continued good health and happiness in all future endeavors.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to

1 Cheryl Gaudin.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Suzi Montague.

DIGEST

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