

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 177

BY SENATORS MORRELL, MARTINY AND MURRAY AND REPRESENTATIVES  
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana to the family of  
Courtney Elizabeth Giarruso upon her death.

WHEREAS, Courtney was born on March 30, 1981, and was a lifelong residence of  
the city of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, Courtney was born with spina bifida and was paralyzed from the  
shoulders down, incapable of even the smallest movements; and

WHEREAS, in spite of her physical challenges, Courtney persevered through college  
at the University of New Orleans and graduate school at Our Lady of Holy Cross College,  
obtaining a master's degree in mental health counseling; and

WHEREAS, not only was Courtney a determined lady, but she was also extremely  
smart; she was one of the top students in her master's program and she finished the  
comprehensive examination in half the time allowed; and

WHEREAS, Courtney was a very vibrant person with an upbeat attitude and  
wonderful spirit who loved life and everyone she met.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
express its deepest and most profound condolences to the family of  
Courtney Elizabeth Giarruso, especially her mother, Robin Giarruso, her friends and her  
loved ones for the profound loss they have suffered.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
family of Courtney Elizabeth Giarruso.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES