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SENATE RESOLUTION

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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Julia Gaffney is an American Paralympic swimmer who was born in Russia but raised in Mayflower, Arkansas and began competing in Para swimming in 2015; and

WHEREAS, when Gaffney was born, she had her right leg amputated above the knee and her left leg amputated below the knee; and

WHEREAS, during her Para swimming career, Gaffney has won five (5) silver medals and a bronze medal at the 2017 World Para Swimming Championships in Mexico City and a gold medal in the Women's two-hundred-meter individual medley at the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships in London; and

WHEREAS, Gaffney swam in five (5) events at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, winning bronze in the Women's one-hundred-meter backstroke and Women's four-hundred-meter freestyle,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE



STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate recognize Julia Gaffney for earning two (2) bronze medals in swimming at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be provided to Julia Gaffney by the Secretary of the Senate.