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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers of Little Rock began swimming when she was four (4) years old with the Arkansas Dolphins Swim Team, breaking her first state record at the age of seven (7); and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers began losing her vision when she was sixteen (16) years old, a condition she noticed upon waking up with blurry vision one day, and which led to a diagnosis of Multiple Mitochondrial Gene Deletion Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, this condition has progressed over the last five-and-one-half (5 1/2) years, rendering Olivia Chambers legally blind; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers was the Paralympic Champion, winning gold in the women's four-hundred-meter freestyle S13 at the 2024 Paralympic Games in Paris, France; and



WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers also earned two (2) silver medals in the women's two-hundred-meter individual medley SM13 and women's one-hundred-meter breaststroke SB13 at the 2024 Paralympic Games in Paris, France; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers earned two (2) silver medals and four (4) bronze medals at the 2023 Para Swimming World Championships in Manchester, England; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers currently holds seven (7) Para Swimming American records and two (2) Para Swimming world records, and is an eight-time medalist at World Para Swimming Series meets; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers is an eight-time champion at the United States Paralympics Swimming National Championships; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers was a bronze medalist in the four-hundred-yard individual medley at the 2025 Missouri Valley Conference Championships; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers made the Missouri Valley Conference Swimming and Diving Scholar-Athlete Team in 2023, 2024, and 2025, made the All-Missouri Valley Conference First Team in 2025, earned the Missouri Valley Conference's Most Courageous Award in 2024, and earned an All-Missouri Valley Conference Honorable Mention in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers is a 2017 graduate of the Anthony School and a 2021 graduate of Mount St. Mary Academy, and now attends the University of Northern Iowa, where she is in the Honors College with a double major in biology and psychology; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Chambers is the daughter of Alison and Brad Chambers of Little Rock, and she has one (1) brother, Mason, and one (1) sister, Emerson,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate recognize Paralympic medalist Olivia Chambers of Little Rock for her remarkable gifts and incredible achievements that bring renown to her and to the State of Arkansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be presented to Olivia Chambers by the Secretary of the Senate.