

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90

BY SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Senator Karen Carter Peterson on being elected as the chair of the Louisiana Democratic Party, the first female to hold the post.

WHEREAS, Senator Karen Carter Peterson is a 1991 graduate of Howard University School of Business, where she received a degree in International Business and Marketing, and of Tulane University Law School; and

WHEREAS, during a decade of service in the House of Representatives, she served on the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House and Governmental Affairs Committee; as the House Speaker Pro Tempore; and was the first woman to chair the House Insurance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Carter Peterson now serves as a member of the Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs Committee, Senate Finance Committee, Senate Health and Welfare Committee, Senate Judiciary B Committee, and Senate Local and Municipal Affairs Committee, and is chair of the Senate Select Committee on Women and Children; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, she was elected as chair of the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus; and

WHEREAS, Senator Carter Peterson has been awarded the Legislator of the Year Award by the Alliance for Good Government in 2000 and 2004 and honored with the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and the Institute of Politics at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government's New Frontier Award and the Aspen Institute-Rodel Fellowship in Public Service; and

WHEREAS, beginning at the age of 18 through the year 2008, she served as a delegate to Democratic national conventions and, in 2008, served as state chairwoman of President Obama's campaign; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, April 28, 2012, Karen Carter Peterson was elected as chair of the Louisiana Democratic Party, the first female to hold the post.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana hereby commends and congratulates Senator Karen Carter Peterson on being elected chair of the Louisiana Democratic Party, the first female to hold the post.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Senator Karen Carter Peterson.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES