

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHEXNAYDER, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BAGLEY, BEAULLIEU, BISHOP, BUTLER, CARRIER, CREWS, DEVILLIER, DESHOTEL, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FRIEMAN, GAROFALO, HODGES, HORTON, HUVAL, ILLG, MIKE JOHNSON, MAGEE, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCKNIGHT, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, MINCEY, ORGERON, CHARLES OWEN, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, STEFANSKI, TARVER, THOMAS, THOMPSON, VILLIO, WHEAT, WRIGHT, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATORS ABRAHAM, ALLAIN, BERNARD, CATHEY, CLOUD, CONNICK, CORTEZ, FESI, FOIL, HENSGENS, HEWITT, LAMBERT, MCMATH, MILLIGAN, FRED MILLS, MIZELL, MORRIS, PEACOCK, POPE, TALBOT, AND WARD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Senate to take such actions as are necessary to confirm President Donald Trump's nomination of Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the United States Supreme Court to fill the seat of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

WHEREAS, the United States of America was founded on the precepts of freedom, liberty, justice, and diversity; and

WHEREAS, a primary mission of the United States Senate is to ensure that the judiciary maintains integrity; and

WHEREAS, Judge Amy Coney Barrett has served on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit since 2017; and

WHEREAS, Amy Coney Barrett was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, and grew up in Metairie, Louisiana; after graduating from St. Mary's Dominican High School in 1990, she attended Rhodes College and graduated magna cum laude in 1994 with a bachelor of arts degree in English literature; she then studied law at Notre Dame Law School, graduating first in her class summa cum laude in 1997 with a juris doctorate degree and serving as executive editor of the Notre Dame Law Review; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of her law school studies, Amy Coney Barrett served as judicial law clerk for Judge Laurence Silberman of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit from 1997 to 1998 and Justice Antonin Scalia of the United States Supreme Court from 1998 to 1999; and

WHEREAS, Judge Amy Coney Barrett has worked in both private trial and appellate litigation in Washington, D.C.; during this time, she also worked for more than fifteen years in academia, including at her alma mater, Notre Dame Law School, and has been published in several prominent journals including the Columbia Law Review, Virginia Law Review, and Texas Law Review; and

WHEREAS, Judge Amy Coney Barrett has earned accolades and bipartisan praise for her character and work ethic and has demonstrated a steadfast dedication to upholding the United States Constitution as written and not legislating from the bench; her excellent judicial record shows she will protect the rights of Americans and defend the rule of law.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Senate to take such actions as are necessary to confirm the nomination of Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the United States Supreme Court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and to the Honorable Bill Cassidy and the Honorable John Kennedy.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE