

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 213

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

A RESOLUTION

To commend United States Senator Olympia Snowe on receiving the 2013 American Association of University Women Achievement Award.

WHEREAS, Senator Olympia Snowe began her political career in the Maine House of Representatives when she ran for her husband's seat, state legislator Peter Snowe, upon his death in 1973, and was subsequently reelected in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe won election to the Maine Senate in 1976 and became a delegate to both the state and national Republican conventions; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1978, becoming the youngest Republican woman ever elected to the House; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe is also the first woman to have served in both houses of a state legislature and both houses of the United States Congress, as well as, the first Greek-American congresswoman, having never lost an election in thirty-five years as an elected official; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe has served on numerous committees in her tenure, including the Senate Committee on Finance and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship as chairwoman and ranking member; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe cochaired the Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues and provided leadership in establishing the Office of Research on Women's Health; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe has focused her attention on efforts to build bipartisan consensus on key issues, thus building her reputation as one of congress' leading moderates; and

WHEREAS, Senator Snowe's dedicated work in the United States Senate has garnered her nationwide recognition as a leading policy maker in Washington, being named one of *Time* magazine's Top 10 United States Senators.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Senator Olympia Snowe on her receipt of the 2013 American Association of University Women Achievement Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the American Association of University Women.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES