

SENATE RESOLUTION 44

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Morgan Ann Mathis upon being named Miss Tennessee National Teenager 2011 by America's National Teenager Scholarship Organization.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those emerging community leaders who strive to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens while bringing beauty, grace, and purpose to all their endeavors; and

WHEREAS, one such superlative young lady is Morgan Ann Mathis, who was crowned Miss Tennessee National Teenager 2011 on February 19, 2011, at the Bethel World Outreach Center; and

WHEREAS, a beloved daughter of Tennessee and a proud representative of the Volunteer State, Morgan Ann Mathis will travel to Miami Beach, Florida, this July to compete at America's National Teenager Scholarship Pageant; and

WHEREAS, promoting strong scholastic ideals, solid leadership principles, and high character growth to young women, America's National Teenager Scholarship Organization is recognized as one of the longest running, most prestigious female teen scholarship pageant competitions, awarding nearly \$100,000 in scholarships at every state competition each year; and

WHEREAS, serving as a positive role model to teens across the State of Tennessee, Morgan Ann is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and she epitomizes the ideal of the consummate student, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Miss Mathis is a sophomore at Wayne County High School, where she maintains an exemplary 4.0 grade point average and participates in numerous extracurricular

activities, including the Beta Club, Interact Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and Health Occupations Students of America; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship, Morgan Ann has distinguished herself as a public-spirited youth of the highest order through her work with numerous organizations, including the Special Olympics, Relay for Life, Breast Cancer Awareness, Read Across America, and, locally, the Wayne County Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, Miss Mathis's athletic prowess is evidenced by her participation in gymnastics and the 2011 State Championship Wayne County Lady Cats basketball team; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of David and Missy Sisk and the late Kevin Mathis, Morgan Ann's pageant victory is a special source of pride for her family, friends, and her community, who are deeply proud of this remarkable young lady and her many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Ann Mathis has attained excellence in many diverse fields of human endeavor at a young age, from scholastic achievements and community outreach to pageant competition, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and congratulate Morgan Ann Mathis upon being named Miss Tennessee National Teenager 2011 and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.