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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 107

Offered February 18, 2015

Commending Abby Major.

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WHEREAS, in 2014, Abby Major, a talented young cook from Winchester, advanced to the final four of the second season of MasterChef Junior, a nationally televised cooking competition; and

WHEREAS, Abby Major, a fourth-grade student at Powhatan School in Boyce, has been cooking since she was two years old when she would help her proud parents, Art and Maggie, make cakes and cookies; she later added more advanced recipes like spaghetti carbonara to her repertoire; and

WHEREAS, after auditioning for the MasterChef Junior competition in New York City, Abby Major, who was eight years old at the time, passed three rounds of interviews, impressing interviewers with her mature palate and creativity; and

WHEREAS, Abby Major was the youngest competitor on the show, which featured cooks from around the country between the ages of nine and 12; on each episode, competitors created a dish from ingredients in a themed mystery box, with the mystery box challenge winner escaping an additional elimination challenge; and

WHEREAS, throughout the competition, Abby Major impressed the judges—celebrity chefs and restaurateurs—with her innovative, tasty dishes; with each challenge, she learned new skills and made the best of opportunities to try new ingredients and techniques; and

WHEREAS, Abby Major advanced to the semifinals episode of the competition, which aired on FOX on December 9, 2014; she hopes to continue cultivating her skills as a cook and one day open a restaurant serving healthy comfort food; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Abby Major, a skilled and driven young cook in Winchester, hereby be commended for her success on MasterChef Junior; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Abby Major as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her achievements and best wishes for the future.

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