2004 SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 243

Commending Amanda Gilbert.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 11, 2004 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 12, 2004

WHEREAS, Amanda Gilbert of Fairfax was named Miss Pre-Teen Virginia in the Senior Division at the statewide competition held in Richmond on September 21, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Pre-Teen America Scholarship and Recognition Program was founded in 1990, and during 2003, 40 states actively participated in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Pre-Teen America Program is an event designed to recognize the nation's outstanding pre-teens, as well as to provide an avenue to promote high morals, standards of excellence, fellowship, family values and social development; and

WHEREAS, the Pre-Teen Virginia program was a by-invitation-only scholarship and recognition event involving girls 7 to 12 years of age based on their school academic records, awards, and honors won and their participation in outside activities; and

WHEREAS, the state finalists were evaluated on academic achievement, volunteer service to community, school honors and activities, development of personal skills and abilities, general knowledgeability, communicative ability, and on-stage acknowledgment of accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Gilbert won the "Best Interview" award and was runner-up in both speech and talent competitions to capture the title of Miss Pre-Teen Virginia; and

WHEREAS, as the winner of the Pre-Teen Virginia Senior Division, Amanda Gilbert received a \$1,000 educational bond and other gifts and will represent the Commonwealth in the 2004 Pre-Teen America National Competition in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Amanda Gilbert on being named Miss Pre-Teen Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Amanda Gilbert as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and best wishes for continued success.

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