

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 357

Commending Michaela Gabriella Sigmon.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 2, 2017
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 3, 2017

WHEREAS, Michaela Gabriella Sigmon, a native of Chesapeake who has made many valuable contributions to the community and the Commonwealth, was crowned Miss Virginia in July 2016; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated student, Michaela Sigmon is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in journalism with a minor in dance and performing arts from Old Dominion University, where she maintains a 4.0 GPA; and

WHEREAS, Michaela Sigmon has been a dancer since the age of four, and she is most comfortable on stage bringing joy to others through music and dance; she was honored to accept an invitation from a professional dance company, Master Works Touring Company, at the age of 16; and

WHEREAS, having won local, state, and national titles in dance, Michaela Sigmon has performed at events in Israel, New York City, and throughout the Commonwealth; prior to earning the title of Miss Virginia, she was named Miss Greater Richmond; and

WHEREAS, believing that "the greatest blessing is to be a blessing," Michaela Sigmon is a generous volunteer, and she created her platform, Making it Matter, to raise awareness of how choosing to lead a life of service can make a positive difference in the world; and

WHEREAS, as the 2016 Miss Virginia, Michaela Sigmon advanced to the 2017 Miss America pageant on September 11, 2016, in Atlantic City, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, with her extraordinary combination of beauty, intelligence, talent, compassion, and dedication to service, Michaela Sigmon has ably served the Commonwealth during her reign as Miss Virginia; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Michaela Gabriella Sigmon on being named Miss Virginia 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Michaela Gabriella Sigmon as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and admiration for her achievements.

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