

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

A RESOLUTION

To commend Brook Hotard on her reign as Miss Louisiana Outstanding Teen for 2010, and to recognize Tuesday, May 26, 2011, as Miss Louisiana Organization Day at the Louisiana Senate.

WHEREAS, in June 2010, Brook Hotard competed with many other accomplished young women from across Louisiana and was crowned Miss Louisiana Outstanding Teen; and

WHEREAS, in the year that followed, she represented her state at the national levels as she spread increased awareness among Americans about the terrible effects that Alzheimer's disease has on many of the elderly in our country; and

WHEREAS, Brook Hotard is a junior at St. Joseph's Academy in Baton Rouge which is just across the Mississippi River from her home town of Port Allen, and she has excelled there with a 4.3 GPA and is a member of the National Honor Society, the Honor Roll and was a Middle School Honors Graduate at St. Aloysius School; and

WHEREAS, Brook has proved to be a real leader in her remarkable life, serving as president of her school's Speech and Debate Team and participating in the 2009 National Speech and Debate Competition; and

WHEREAS, Brook also found time to serve as vice president of her school's Drama Club, president of the Spanish Club, Middle School Student Body President and a member of the Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, during her reign as Miss Louisiana Outstanding Teen, Brook raised funds for the Alzheimer's Association in "A Walk to Remember" and the "Fishing for Memories" rodeo, while also finding time to visit "Children Miracle Network" hospitals, speaking to Girl Scout troops, volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, raising funds for Child Abuse Awareness, and serving as Grand Marshall of the Alexandria Children's Parade; and

WHEREAS, Brook's special entertainment talents helped her in the lead role in a production of South Pacific, performing in To Kill A Mockingbird, Fiddler on the Roof, and Music Man and choreographing musical numbers in the 2009 Miss Southeastern Pageant;

and

WHEREAS, Brook Hotard honors Louisiana in the Miss America Organization, the world's largest competitive scholarship program for young women, helping the Miss Louisiana Scholarship Organization raise six hundred thirty-four thousand dollars in cash and tuition scholarships.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend its highest commendations to Brook Hotard, Miss Louisiana Outstanding Teen for 2010, for her many accomplishments and talents and further wishes her continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana hereby recognizes Tuesday, May 5, 2011, as Miss Louisiana Organization Day at the Louisiana Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Brook Hotard.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE