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8 COMMENDING CHANDLER MARIE CHAMPION ON BEING SELECTED
9 MISS LEEDS AREA 2013.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
12 are herein proudly extended to Chandler Marie Champion on
13 being selected Miss Leeds Area 2013; and

14 WHEREAS, an accomplished sophomore at The University
15 of Alabama who is double majoring in Dance and Broadcast
16 Journalism, Miss Champion will compete as Miss Leeds Area 2013
17 in the Miss Alabama contest in June at Samford University as
18 part of the Miss America preliminaries; and

19 WHEREAS, through hard work, diligence, admirable
20 ambition, and a commitment to serve, the talented contestant
21 earned her esteemed title and the honor to compete in the
22 worthy program; and

23 WHEREAS, Miss Champion brings to the Miss America
24 competition her noble platform, "Chandler's Challenge: Reading
25 is Believing, Don't Stop Believing," for which she advocates
26 literacy; she became an avid reader at a young age and began
27 volunteering in libraries as a seventh grader; and

1 WHEREAS, Miss Champion works closely with the
2 Optimist Club, a volunteer service organization that targets
3 service projects for children; she poured magnanimous efforts
4 into the reconstruction of Gateway's Rushton School Library in
5 Birmingham, which was named in her honor; and

6 WHEREAS, Miss Champion's talents have shone in
7 previous Miss Alabama Pageants, in which she has been selected
8 as second and third runners-up while competing as Miss
9 Trussville 2012 and Miss Centerpoint 2011, respectively; as
10 Miss Trussville 2012, she won the talent and swimsuit
11 preliminaries; in addition, she has the utmost distinction of
12 being selected as Miss Leeds Outstanding Teen 2007, Miss
13 Trussville's Outstanding Teen 2008, and Miss Painted Rock's
14 Outstanding Teen in 2009, and she has earned numerous
15 scholarships through the pageant system; and

16 WHEREAS, she will be performing a jazz en pointe
17 dance for the talent portion of the competition; Miss Champion
18 is experienced in all types of dance and has been dancing
19 since age three; and

20 WHEREAS, Miss Champion was a member of the 2011/2012
21 Crimson Cabaret at The University of Alabama and played the
22 role of Cinderella in Rodgers and Hammerstein's Broadway
23 production of "Cinderella"; and

24 WHEREAS, sponsored by the Miss America Organization,
25 the Miss Alabama Pageant, which awards college scholarships to
26 extraordinary young women, fosters high achievement and

1 involvement in the community and equips participants with
2 valuable life tools; and

3 WHEREAS, Miss Champion is the daughter of Debra and
4 Shane Champion and the sister of 10-year-old Zoe, who is her
5 best friend; and

6 WHEREAS, Miss Champion is an exceptional role model
7 and displays the remarkable character and qualities espoused
8 by the Miss America Organization; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Chandler Marie Champion is
11 highly honored and commended for being selected Miss Leeds
12 Area 2013, and by copy of this resolution, we convey deepest
13 admiration and appreciation, along with best wishes in the
14 Miss Alabama Competition and in all future endeavors.