

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 285

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Zoe Scheiderich, Miss Memphis 2023.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should salute those young people who, through their extraordinary efforts and positive outlook, have distinguished themselves as outstanding citizens and future leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Zoe Scheiderich, who was recently crowned Miss Memphis 2023, a most befitting honor that recognizes her dedication as a community leader; and

WHEREAS, as Miss Memphis, Zoe Scheiderich will now compete for the Miss Tennessee title on July 1, 2023, as part of the Miss America Pageant; and

WHEREAS, a talented artist, Zoe Scheiderich started dancing at the young age of three, and at eight years old, she began training as a classical ballet dancer; at fourteen, she left home to pursue a career in ballet and subsequently trained at three separate pre-professional ballet programs in major cities, where she resided with host families; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Scheiderich is wholly committed to her craft and devoted her summers to attending some of the most prestigious ballet programs in the country, including the School of American Ballet in New York, New York; Miami City Ballet in Florida; Pacific Northwest Ballet in Seattle, Washington; and Boston Ballet in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Scheiderich competed in the Youth America Grand Prix in Indiana, Colorado, and Florida, and she has performed in lead roles for full-length classical ballets since the age of eight; and

WHEREAS, an avid student, Ms. Scheiderich is a homeschool graduate and proud graduate of the Nashville Classical Ballet Academy, having graduated with academic honors; following graduation, she continued training at the Millennium Dance Complex in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Scheiderich is a stellar performer; she received the lead role in her first regional musical theater production, for which she was nominated for Best Lead Performance in a Musical; and

WHEREAS, during her reign as Miss Memphis, Zoe Scheiderich plans to explore a social impact initiative that focuses on equipping, empowering, and elevating women in third-world countries who often face extreme violence and lack basic human rights; and

WHEREAS, Zoe Scheiderich epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of our respect and admiration; and

WHEREAS, Zoe Scheiderich's Miss Memphis 2023 pageant victory is a special source of pride for her family, her many friends, and the good people of Tennessee, and it is fitting that we specially recognize this remarkable young woman and her many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Zoe Scheiderich upon her pageant victory as Miss Memphis 2023 and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in the Miss Tennessee competition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

