

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating Makenna Lockhart, a junior at Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts in Kansas City, MO, upon her impressive showing at the English-Speaking Union National Shakespeare Competition.

RESOLUTION NO. 18531, May 19, 2014

INTRODUCED BY Crystal Williams, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Makenna Lockhart, a junior at Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts in the Kansas City Public School district, placed as a semi-finalist in the 31st annual English-Speaking Union (ESU) National Shakespeare Competition held May 5, 2014, at the Lincoln Center Theater in New York City; and,

WHEREAS, Makenna won first place at the ESU Regional Shakespeare Competition held at the Coterie Theatre in Kansas City, Missouri on February 16, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the ESU National Shakespeare Competition is a school-based program designed to help students develop their speaking and critical thinking skills as they explore the language and themes in the works of William Shakespeare; and,

WHEREAS, Makenna competed against over 165 other students in preliminary competitions sponsored by the Heart of America Shakespeare Festival; and

WHEREAS, Makenna performed a piece from Shakespeare's *As You Like It* and recited

Sonnet 24; and,

WHEREAS, Makenna was coached by her sponsoring teacher, David Luby, Director of Technical Theatre at Paseo Academy; and,

WHEREAS, as part of her regional competition win, Makenna received an all-expense paid trip to New York City with two full days of educational and cultural activities including an exclusive acting workshop at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts; and,

WHEREAS, Makenna's family and friends are justifiably proud of her accomplishments; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby congratulates Makenna Lockhart upon her impressive showing at the English-Speaking Union National and Regional Shakespeare Competitions and extends best wishes to her in all of her future endeavors.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 18531 of May 19, 2014, was duly passed on May 19, 2014 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

5.19.14

Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature