By: Senator(s) Younger, Whaley, Berry, Rhodes, Seymour, Ladner, McCaughn, England, Robinson

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28

- 1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EMMA WATTS OF ST. STEPHENS, ALABAMA,
- 2 AS "MISS DIXIE NATIONAL 2024" ON THE OCCASION OF THE DIXIE
- 3 NATIONAL LIVESTOCK AND RODEO SHOW.
- 4 WHEREAS, Emma Watts has been crowned 2024 Miss Dixie
- 5 National; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Emma is the 19-year-old daughter of Johnny and Kim
- 7 Watts from St. Stephens, Alabama; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she is an honors graduate of Leroy High School and
- 9 is currently attending Pearl River Community College, in
- 10 Poplarville Mississippi. She is currently a member of the
- 11 Award-Winning Rodeo Team. Emma will be continuing her education
- 12 working toward a degree in business, as well as, agriculture
- 13 communication; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The Dixie National Rodeo is January 9-17 at the
- 15 Mississippi Coliseum. The Dixie National Rodeo and Livestock Show
- 16 began in 1965. It is one of the largest professional rodeos east
- 17 of the Mississippi River. The Dixie National Rodeo is produced by
- 18 Rorey Lemmel of Harper and Morgan Rodeo Company; and

- 19 WHEREAS, Miss Dixie National is required to attend all
- 20 performances of the Dixie National Rodeo, participate in the
- 21 annual parade, and promote the rodeo by attending hospitals,
- 22 nursing homes, and schools. Emma is an upstanding young Christian
- 23 woman who strives to be an ambassador and role model:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 25 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize Emma Watts of St.
- 26 Stephens, Alabama, as "Miss Dixie National 2024" on the occasion
- 27 of the Dixie National Livestock and Rodeo Show and extend to her
- 28 and her family our best wishes for future success.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 30 Emma Watts and her family, forwarded to the Commissioner of
- 31 Agriculture and Commerce and be made available to the Capitol
- 32 Press Corps.