MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Barrett, Bryan, McCaughn, Seymour To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 113

1 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING KAYLEE BROOKE MCCOLLUM OF AMORY, 2 MISSISSIPPI, FOR REPRESENTING THE USA AT THE 2024 MISS UNIVERSE 3 PAGEANT IN MEXICO. 4 WHEREAS, Kaylee Brooke McCollum is a 23-year-old native of Amory, Mississippi, who is no stranger to the Miss Universe 5 6 Organization. Kaylee Brooke represented Mississippi and placed as 7 the 3rd Runner-Up to Miss Teen USA in 2018; and WHEREAS, after graduating from The Mississippi University for 8 9 Women and earning her B.S. in Nursing, she worked for two years as a Critical Care Nurse before landing her current position as a 10 11 Nurse at Accent Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. With aspirations to become a Family Nurse Practitioner, she is honored 12 to have been accepted into The University of North Alabama's 13 14 esteemed master's program to continue her educational journey; and 15 WHEREAS, in 2018, Kaylee Brooke faced the devastating loss of 16 a dear friend, which ignited her passion to make a difference for those struggling through mental health challenges and led to her 17

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20 WHEREAS, as Kaylee Brooke progressed in her nursing education, she recognized the critical importance of addressing 21 22 mental health concerns among college students, a demographic 23 particularly vulnerable to the pressures and stresses of academic 24 life. Building upon the foundation of #YOUmatter, she conceived 25 Ignite the Voice 360, a platform dedicated to amplifying the 26 conversations surrounding college student mental health. Through 27 Ignite the Voice 360, Kaylee Brooke fearlessly shares her own 28 experiences, insights, and expertise, striving to break down the 29 stigma and barriers to mental health care access; and

30 WHEREAS, outside of pageants, Kaylee Brooke enjoys spending 31 her free time with her two nieces, Callie, five, and Laynie, one. 32 She may also be found with a makeup brush or hair tool in her hand 33 styling as an artist through her very own business, KBKreations; 34 and

35 WHEREAS, Kaylee Brooke is deeply honored and grateful for the 36 opportunity to represent and serve Mississippi once again. She is 37 looking forward to competing for the coveted title of Miss USA and 38 possibly the chance to represent the USA at Miss Universe in 39 Mexico later this year; and

40 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we commend this young 41 Mississippian who has brought honor to her community and to the 42 State of Mississippi:

S. R. No. 113 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 24/SS26/R1475 PAGE 2 (rdd\tb) NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize Kaylee Brooke McCollum of Amory, Mississippi, for representing the USA at the 2024 Miss Universe Pageant in Mexico, and we extend to Kaylee our best wishes for success in the Miss Universe Pageant and in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Kaylee Brooke McCollum and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

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