Introduced August 9, 2011, by Councilman Lloyd, seconded by Councilman Cusimano

## **RESOLUTION R11-22**

A resolution honoring Ms. Rachel Pickering for receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award at the Governor's Mansion in Baton Rouge.

WHEREAS, the Gold Award represents the highest achievement in Girl Scouts and therefore is a commitment you make and complete as an individual; and

WHEREAS, by earning the Girl Scout Gold Award you will be joining the ranks of generations of young women who have made a difference both locally and globally, you are in an exceptional position to take action and make the world a better place; and

WHEREAS, there are over 2 million Girl Scouts in the United States, but only about 4,000 receive the Gold Award each year; and

WHEREAS, to receive this award Ms. Pickering had to create and implement a sustainable and ongoing community service project that demonstrated leadership and planning abilities, and promoted positive values, personal and spiritual growth, and community service; and

WHEREAS, a minimum of 135 hours were required for the seven steps of the Gold Award process; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pickering, an 11-year Girl Scout, is the daughter of Clara Lee and Bill Pickering and was a member of Slidell Troop 63. She is a 2010 graduate of Northshore High School and attends Texas A&M, majoring in pre-K through 6th grade elementary education. Ms. Pickering's project was called Fleur de Boutique. She reorganized new and gently used clothing to create a special shopping "boutique" for the

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girls at K Bar B Ranch. Accessories such as jewelry, belts, cosmetics and other items also were organized and set up as a token store to reward positive behavior. Because the girls are under the supervision of the state, this allowed them a place to shop. Her project adviser was Donna Arostegui.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby honor Ms. Rachel Pickering for her outstanding achievement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Slidell City Council expresses its congratulations and wishes Ms. Pickering the best of luck in her future endeavors.

ADOPTED this 9th of August, 2011.

Landon Cusimano

President of the Council Councilman-at-Large

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Council Administrator