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HJR___ COMMENDING ELYSE MAE DEAN FOR BEING NAMED ONE OF ALABAMA PUBLIC TELEVISION'S YOUNG HEROES OF ALABAMA FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, with very special pleasure, we highly commend Pickens Academy senior, Elyse Mae Dean, for being named one of Alabama Public Television's Young Heroes of Alabama for 2023; and

WHEREAS, Elyse has a 4.0 Grade point average and is ranked in the top 2 percent of Honor Seniors; also, she has already completed 22 hours of studies at Bevill State Community College with a college grade point average of 4.0; and

WHEREAS, Elyse is a member of the Pickens Academy Math Team and the Scholars Bowl Team; has been inducted in the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta (the National Math Honor Society), and Pi Alpha Epsilon (the National English Honor Society); and serves as the Secretary for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; additionally, she served as Vice President of her junior class and is currently serving as Vice President of her senior class; and

WHEREAS, in her spare time, Elyse sponsors the



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26 Pee-Wee Majorette Squad that consists of eight girls ranging
27 from third to sixth grade; she has also tutored her
28 classmates and other young students for years; and

29 WHEREAS, at age 11, Elyse began suffering from
30 extreme headaches and nausea, and after many tests, was
31 diagnosed with a Chiari malformation with a syrinx; she
32 underwent dangerous surgery to correct the problem; although
33 the surgery had its risks and possible side effects, Elyse
34 returned to school five days later; determined to continue
35 doing what she loved, she slowly began participating in
36 non-collision sports, band, and majorettes; today, she is a
37 varsity cheerleader, a majorette, and a member of the band;
38 and

39 WHEREAS, Elyse refused to let her health battles hold
40 her back from her dreams as she worked hard to get through
41 the obstacles in her path; for her courage and
42 determination, she has been recognized by Alabama Public
43 Television as one of its five Young Heroes of Alabama for
44 2023; now therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
46 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Elyse Mae Dean is highly
47 commended for being named one of Alabama Public Television's
48 Young Heroes of Alabama for 2023, and we hereby dedicate
49 this resolution to her with warmest appreciation,
50 admiration, and regard.