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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY SENATOR SMITH

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Madison Elizabeth Smith upon her reign as Queen of the 2022 Mystick Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To commend Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith upon her reign as Queen of the 2022 Mystick
3	Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball.
4	WHEREAS, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball has its
5	origins among displaced Louisianians, known as the Louisiana State Society, living in our
6	nation's capital who wanted to bring the celebration to their new home in the late 1930s; and
7	WHEREAS, over the years, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans has welcomed
8	President Richard Nixon, Vice President Gerald Ford, Vice President Al Gore, and numerous
9	cabinet secretaries and ambassadors to its celebrations; and
10	WHEREAS, Society president C.J. Bourg and Lt. Col. Leonce Legendre of New
11	Orleans were the inspiration for the first Mardi Gras ball held in 1944, for these exiled
12	Louisianians living in Washington D.C.; and
13	WHEREAS, the first Washington Mardi Gras Ball queen was Mollie Gaumer, a
14	member of United States Senator John Overton's staff; and
15	WHEREAS, since 1944, the Mystick Krewe of Louisianans has selected a queen to
16	reign over the krewe's festivities; and
17	WHEREAS, Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith was selected as queen by the krewe to
18	reign over the festivities in 2022; and

	WHEREAS, Madison is the daughter of Glen and Marilyn Smith of LaPlace,
Ι	Louisiana; and
	WHEREAS, she is a 2018 graduate of Mt. Carmel Academy in new Orleans; and
	WHEREAS, Madison is currently a senior at Louisiana State University in Baton
F	Rouge where she is majoring in political science with a concentration in American
с	constitutional law; and
	WHEREAS, while at Mt. Carmel, Madison was active in assisting with youth
s	ummer camps held at the school for younger girls; and
	WHEREAS, she has also been very active in multiple philanthropies, most notably,
Ţ	The G. Smith Prom of Champions, providing a prom experience for terminally ill children;
a	nd
	WHEREAS, Madison also volunteered her time for the Children's Christmas
0	Celebration, which provides Christmas gifts to over three hundred children in the River
F	Parish region annually; and
	WHEREAS, Madison has worked as a Senate aide in the Louisiana Legislature for
t	he last two sessions; and
	WHEREAS, Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith merits sincere congratulations for being
s	elected to reign as Queen of the 2022 Mystic Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras
E	Ball.
	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
d	loes hereby commend and congratulate Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith upon her reign as
(	Queen of the 2022 Mystick Krewe of Louisianans Washington Mardi Gras Ball.
	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
N	Miss Madison Elizabeth Smith.

of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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