

State of Louisiana



Parish of Caddo In the Name and By the Authority of The Caddo Parish Commission

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION to

DISTINGUISHED YOUNG WOMAN OF LOUISIANA SOPHIA NICOLSI

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission is always pleased to recognize and honor those sons and daughters of Caddo Parish who have gone forth to gain singular and outstanding personal achievements, and in so doing, reflect favorably and positively upon their home community; and

WHEREAS, MISS SOPHIA NICOLSI, a Shreveport native and graduate of Caddo Parish Magnet High School who will attend Temple University in the Fall, has earned the title "Distinguished Young Woman of Louisiana," this January at the state-wide competition held in Covington, Louisiana. Nicolosi drew on her exemplary scholastic achievements, her experience as a principal dancer with the Shreveport Metropolitan Ballet, her work experience as a camp counselor at YMCA of Northwest Louisiana and her personal grace, poise and communication skills; and

WHEREAS, the 18-year-old Miss Nicolosi, serving as the "Distinguished Young Woman of Louisiana," earned a spot to compete in the Distinguished Young Women National Finals in June, 2020 where she was awarded the *My Town* Award and Scholarship. The Nationals competition, typically held in Mobile, Alabama was held remotely through online streaming due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Nicolosi took the opportunity to highlight her community as she competed in five categories (Scholastics, Interview, Talent, Fitness and Self Expression). Locations featured in her videos included the YMCA, the Strand Theatre, Cross Lake, Municipal Auditorium and the Downtown Riverfront; and

WHEREAS, her obvious charms are complimented by the depth of her substance: she stands as an intelligent, independent role model who is community minded, selfless towards others and a talented, expressive young woman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in legal and regular session this 9th day of July, 2020, that it does hereby extend its most sincere and heartfelt expressions of congratulation and appreciation to **SOPHIA NICOLSI, 'Distinguished Young Woman of Louisiana,'** for her praiseworthy achievements and for representing Caddo Parish so elegantly and admirably to the state and nation.

ATTEST:



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