SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1840

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Amanda Steiner for being named Ms. Wheelchair Kansas 2008.

WHEREAS, Amanda Steiner was crowned Ms. Wheelchair Kansas on Sunday, March 9, 2008 at the culmination of the three-day event in Topeka. As Ms. Wheelchair Kansas, Amanda Steiner will serve as a role model and spokesperson for people with disabilities by appearing at public events and meetings throughout the state including the Lawrence St. Patrick's Day Parade and today's Independent Living Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, 2008 was the fourth year in which the Ms. Wheelchair Kansas contest was held; and

WHEREAS, The contest seeks to empower participants through enhanced self-awareness and confidence, to educate the public and to advocate for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Steiner will advance to the national Ms. Wheelchair America 2008 Program to be held July 21 - 27, in Rockville, Maryland. She is currently raising funds to pay for her trip; and

WHEREAS, Amanda graduated from the University of Kansas in December 2007, has applied to law schools and is also considering a master's program in industrial organizational psychology; and

WHEREAS, Amanda grew up in Marion, Kansas, and now lives in Lawrence. Her parents are Perry and Barb Steiner; she has a brother Eric, and a sister Victoria. Her proud grandparents are Gene and Beryl Steiner and grandmother Hazel Hoffner: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Amanda Steiner for being named Ms. Wheelchair Kansas 2008 and exhibiting all the strength and character that serve to make her a wonderful role model, not only for people with disabilities and those who are wheelchair mobile, but to all Kansans. The members of the Kansas Senate are happy to share in the pride of her family and friends; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate provide two enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Morris for presentation to Amanda and her family.

Senate Resolution No. 1840 was sponsored by Senator Stephen Morris.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.