

# CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

## IN CITY COUNCIL

January 14, 2016

### **RESOLUTION HONORING MEIGHREAD DANDENEAU MISS NEW BEDFORD'S OUTSTANDING TEEN 2015**

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau was crowned the winner at the fifth Miss New Bedford Outstanding Teen Pageant on Saturday, January 24, 2015, by impressing the judges with her confidence, public speaking abilities, stage presence, talent and poise; and

**WHEREAS**, For the talent competition, Meighread Dandeneau sang "Free To Be Me" by Francesca Battistelli; and

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2015, is a Senior at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, where her course of study is Media Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, Upon completion of her Senior year, Meighread Dandeneau plans on attending Fitchburg State University, focusing on Professional Communications; and

**WHEREAS**, During her year as Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen, Meighread Dandeneau focused on ROAD: Reading Opens All Doors; she created this program in 2012, and has distributed over six thousand books to schoolchildren in our community, encouraging an interest in reading; and

**WHEREAS**, As she served as Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2015, Meighread Dandeneau made over two-hundred and fifty appearances, which is a record, has volunteered at the YWCA, the United Way of Greater New Bedford, Gifts to Give and More, Seconds Count, Big Brother/Big Sister Organization and has also given her time volunteering in area soup kitchens; and

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2015, is a talented vocalist and actress and has been a featured performer with Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School's Drama Club, where she performed many leading roles, including that of Laurie, in "Oklahoma", and most recently Emily, in "Our Town"; and

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau has sung the National Anthem at numerous community events in the City during her year as Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau was the fourth runner-up at the Miss Massachusetts Outstanding Teen Pageant 2015, was the winner of the Scholastic Achievement Award and was a recipient of the Community Service and Spirit of Massachusetts' Outstanding Teen Awards; and

**WHEREAS**, Meighread Dandeneau, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2015, has served her community well as a role model and active volunteer:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the New Bedford City Council hereby honors **MEIGHREAD DANDENEAU, MISS NEW BEDFORD'S OUTSTANDING TEEN 2015**, congratulates her on her achievements during her year-long reign, thanks her for representing New Bedford so well and wishes her great success in all her future endeavors.