

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 23, 2021

RESOLUTION HONORING ERICKA CORREIA  
MISS NEW BEDFORD'S OUTSTANDING TEEN 2020

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia is a 17 year old Senior at Apponequet Regional High School and is currently Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen; and

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen 2020, has served her community well as a role model and active volunteer and has truly enjoyed being part of the Miss New Bedford Scholarship Organization and making a difference; and

**WHEREAS**, As Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen, Ericka Correia represented New Bedford in the Miss Massachusetts Outstanding Teen Pageant this past May, where she impressed the judges with her enthusiasm and self-confidence, being selected as fourth runner-up and was also presented with the pageant Spirit Award; and

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen's social impact initiative is "Next Stop, Broadway", focused around building confidence and achieving dreams through the performing arts; and

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen has a passion for musical theatre and has held lead roles in musicals like Peter Pan, Shrek and the Wizard of Oz and is enrolled in Advanced Placement classes at her school and is involved in theater, student council, the National Honor Society and the Laker Leader Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen has been involved in all styles of dance for ten years and her favorite genre to perform is tap, she has taken master classes, trained with NoXBoundaries, performed at Disney and has taught dance to young children; and

**WHEREAS**, As Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen, Ericka Correia has maintained a relationship with several community organizations to include the United Way of Greater New Bedford, where she volunteers at multiple mobile markets and Hunger Hero Mobile Food Market events; and

**WHEREAS**, Ericka Correia, Miss New Bedford's Outstanding Teen continued to serve the community throughout the pandemic by hosting online baking shows, story times, teaching dance classes and also organizing a drive to make baskets for local homeless shelters:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the New Bedford City Council hereby honors **ERICKA CORREIA, MISS NEW BEDFORD'S OUTSTANDING TEEN 2020**, congratulates her on her achievements during her reign, thanks her for representing New Bedford so well and wishes her great success in all her future endeavors.

Offered by:

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