



SPONSOR: Rep. Longhurst & Rep. Hudson & Rep. Bennett & Rep. Bolden & Rep. Briggs King & Rep. Heffernan & Rep. Keeley & Rep. M. Smith & Rep. K. Williams, on behalf of all Representatives & Sen. Blevins & Sen. Henry & Sen. Cloutier & Sen. Hall-Long & Sen. Peterson & Sen. Poore, on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
148th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 91

HONORING THE YOUNG WOMEN FROM ACROSS THE STATE OF DELAWARE PARTICIPATING IN THE 2016 SESSION OF DELAWARE GIRLS STATE.

1 WHEREAS, during the week of June 20, 2016, young women from across the State of Delaware, students at the
2 State's public and private high schools, come to Legislative Hall in Dover to participate in the 2016 session of Delaware
3 Girls State; and

4 WHEREAS, during their stay here, these young women will receive valuable hands-on training and experience in
5 the legislative process and the ways of State government, which will serve them in good stead in their later lives; and

6 WHEREAS, the experience they receive during Girls State will prove especially useful to those among their
7 number who go on to assume leadership roles in government or seek elective office in the future; and

8 WHEREAS, the participants in Delaware Girls State have, during their session, elected from among their ranks a
9 Governor, a Lieutenant Governor, a State Treasurer, a State Auditor, a State Insurance Commissioner, and members of both
10 houses of the General Assembly; and

11 WHEREAS, the young women participating in the 2016 session of Girls State include:

12 Camryn Howarth of Archmere Academy

13 Sophia Singh of Archmere Academy

14 Keri Edwards of Brandywine High School

15 Sansskrutu Rayavarapu of Cab Calloway School of the Arts

16 Meaghan Wallace of Cab Calloway School of the Arts

17 Adriana Cazzell of Caesar Rodney High School

18 Grace Collins of Caesar Rodney High School

19 McKenzie Melvin of Caesar Rodney High School

20 Taylor Ostertag of Caesar Rodney High School

21 Jillian Canning of Charter School of Wilmington

22 Elizabeth Habash of Charter School of Wilmington
23 Amanda Stiebris of Charter School of Wilmington
24 Kristen Chou of Concord High School
25 Meera Kripalu of Concord High School
26 Jordan Peel of Concord High School
27 Caroline Procak of Concord High School
28 Sara Saienni of Conrad Schools of Science
29 Danaya Dews of DelCastle High School
30 Denae Mendez of DelCastle High School
31 Elle Cyrus of Delaware Military Academy
32 Celia Gambacorta of Delaware Military Academy
33 Marian Poad of Delaware Military Academy
34 Ava Rice of Delaware Military Academy
35 Kristen Glass of Dover High School
36 Kristin Moffett of Dover High School
37 Sara Poultney of Dover High School
38 Grace Yeung of Dover High School
39 Lindsey Grow of Indian River High School
40 Sara Saylor of Indian River High School
41 Katelyn Coleman of Lake Forest High School
42 Sophia Emery of Lake Forest High School
43 TyAnna Handy of Laurel Senior High School
44 Lauren Achenchi of Middletown High School
45 Nicole Feret of Middletown High School
46 Cara Godlewski of Middletown High School
47 Megan Licata of Middletown High School
48 Kayleece Seals of Middletown High School
49 Heather Callahan of Newark Charter School
50 Erin Dickert of Newark Charter School
51 Olivia Skaug of Newark Charter School
52 Mereveille Avinou of Polytech High School
53 Lauren Price of Polytech High School

54 Amicaela Valerio of Polytech High School
55 Julia Pelesko of Sanford High School
56 Nisha Yeleswaram of Sanford High School
57 Lilian Byington of Seaford High School
58 Samantha Cotton of Seaford High School
59 Hannah Doyle of Seaford High School
60 Abby Pearson of Seaford High School
61 Britney Smith of Seaford High School
62 Elana Montejo of Smyrna High School
63 Samantha Sawyer of Smyrna High School
64 Kylie Womer of Smyrna High School
65 Meghan Yerkes of Smyrna High School
66 Abigayle Gant of St. Elizabeth High School
67 Juliana Owens of St. Elizabeth High School
68 Catherine Johnson of St. Marks High School
69 Michaela Reyes of Sussex Academy
70 Elizabeth Berger of Sussex Central High School
71 Nina Jordan of Sussex Technical High School
72 Haley Knowles of Sussex Technical High School
73 Brittany Ritter of Sussex Technical High School
74 Savannah Panlow of Tatnall High School
75 Zhane Davis of Thomas McKean High School
76 Starleese Scott of Thomas McKean High School
77 Aliyah Navarro of Wilmington Christian School
78 Olivia Tyler of Wilmington Christian School
79 Kathleen Shannon of Wilmington Friends School

80 WHEREAS, the counselors participating in the 2016 session of Girls State include:

81 WHEREAS, during their week-long session these young women will learn many of the details of the process
82 whereby a bill becomes a law, and debate and discuss many issues both timely and of great importance to the State of
83 Delaware; and

84 WHEREAS, throughout the week the Girls State delegates will be deeply involved in a study of such subjects as
85 conduct of elections, the operation for the legislative caucus and committee systems, majority and minority positions, and

86 many other aspects of the political process, all of which will give them valuable knowledge of the manner in which the
87 American system of representative democracy operates; and

88 WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware has once again sponsored this important
89 educational program, as it has done for many years, thereby displaying a deep dedication to the American system of
90 government and to the essential task of ensuring that our youth understand and appreciate that system;

91 NOW, THEREFORE:

92 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 148th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
93 Senate thereof concurring therein, that its members do hereby commend each of the participants in the 2016 Girls State
94 session for their hard work and extend to each sincere congratulations on a very successful session at Legislative Hall.

95 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate do hereby
96 extend to every participant sincere best wishes for success in all future endeavors, together with the hope that at least a few
97 of these fine young Delawareans may one day find themselves again in the House or Senate chamber as duly elected
98 representatives of their fellow citizens.

99 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate do hereby
100 commend and thank the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware for its sponsorship of this outstanding
101 program.

102 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be presented to each of the delegates of the
103 2016 Session of Girls State, and to the sponsor of the event, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This concurrent resolution recognizes and honors the young women of Delaware participating in the 2016 session of Delaware Girls State.