Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

WHEREAS, since 1947, the Youth of the Year program has been the premier teen recognition program of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and celebrates the extraordinary achievements of Club members ages 14 to 18 years old; and

WHEREAS, the Youth of the Year program promotes and celebrates service to Club, Community, and Family, and considers academic performance, moral character, life goals, poise, and public speaking ability; and

WHEREAS, one exceptional youth will rise through local, state, regional, and finally national competition to be selected the Boys & Girls Clubs of America’s National Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Aries Cooper has been selected as the 2019 Youth of the Year for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee County and will compete at the state level this April in Ft. Walton Beach; and

WHEREAS, Aries is a proud senior at Bayshore High School where she has participated in National Honor Society, Tennis, Key Club, Cheerleading, Future Business Leaders of America, and is a delegate for Rotary International's Interact Club; and

WHEREAS, Aries has been an active member of the DeSoto Boys & Girls Club for six years and exhibits an energy and enthusiasm that is best described by the Club Staff as caring and contagious; and

WHEREAS, Aries defines the qualities of her personal brand to include: academic success, serving others, being responsible, and being passionate, and believes in helping her community and wants to be a great asset to her community in the future; and

WHEREAS, Aries states, “my values are centered on family, hard work, and education and to truly make a difference you have to be passionate about life and people” and has a vision for America’s youth, “to be confident in who you are and be true to the person that you are.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, recognizes Aries Cooper as the Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee County ‘Youth of the Year’.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 26th day of March 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Stephen R. Jonsson, Chairman

ATTEST: Angelina Colonneso
Clerk of the Circuit Court