

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 7

By: Anderson, Adelson, Aldridge,
Ballenger, Barrington, Bass,
Bingman, Branan, Brogdon,
Brown, Burrage, Coates, Coffee,
Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre, Ellis,
Ford, Garrison, Gumm, Halligan,
Ivester, Johnson (Constance),
Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
Justice, Lamb, Laster,
Leftwich, Lerblance, Marlatt,
Mazzei, Myers, Newberry,
Nichols, Paddack, Reynolds,
Rice, Russell, Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sweeden, Sykes,
Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution recognizing the talent of Amanda
LaMunyon; urging Oklahomans to be encouraged by her
story; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Amanda LaMunyon is a nationally recognized individual
from Enid, Oklahoma, known for her artistic talent and her inspiring
story; and

WHEREAS, at an early age it was recognized that Amanda was not
an average child; and

WHEREAS, Amanda, at age seven began to amaze those who knew her
with her special talent of painting her impressions of the songs she
loved to sing; and

WHEREAS, Amanda's special talent has continued to flourish and has expanded to singing and public speaking; and

WHEREAS, Amanda has used her special talents to raise money for numerous charities including the Children's Miracle Network, Relay for Life and the Children's Medical Research Institute in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Amanda, at the ripe old age of thirteen has personally presented her art work to President George W. Bush, painted the cover for a book, spoken at the United Nations, and been the subject of numerous articles that have appeared in newspapers, magazines, books and on television; and

WHEREAS, Amanda often reminds her audiences that God gave everyone a gift, a special talent; and

WHEREAS, Amanda was recognized in 2005 as one of Oklahoma's "Five Most Talented Kids"; and

WHEREAS, Amanda was recognized nationally in 2006 as the National American Miss Volunteer Service Award recipient; and

WHEREAS, Amanda was recognized nationally in 2007 as the National American Miss Spokesmodel Award Recipient; and

WHEREAS, Amanda was recognized nationally in 2008 as the Outstanding Individual with Autism by the Autism Society of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate recognizes the special talent and ability that God has given to Amanda LaMunyon.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates Amanda LaMunyon on the recognition that she has received.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate urges all Oklahomans to be encouraged and inspired by Amanda LaMunyon's story of overcoming obstacles to make use of the God-given talent that each of us has been given.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma, and to Amanda LaMunyon of Enid, Oklahoma.

Adopted by the Senate the 9th day of February, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate