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**SUBJECT:**

Presentation of the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Regional Athlete of the Year Award to Aleah Minnix of the Landa Park Dolphins.

**BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:**

Aleah Minnix is not your average 8-year-old. This past summer was her first year on swim team with the Landa Park Dolphins. Aleah showed up to learn and win every day.

She quickly moved up to an advanced skills group paying close attention to her coach's instructions. Aleah put in extra time and accepted hard workout sets with a quiet reserve. Within just a few weeks, she moved up to the second highest level group and kept pace with swimmers 4 or 5 years older.

Her coach, Josh Cunningham said of Aleah, "As a summer league coach, I rarely see fierce determination from an 8-year-old swimmer. Even though she is all business in the water, she has made a lot of friends on deck with her friendly smile and genuine encouragement."

Aleah's hard work resulted in outstanding rewards earning two medals at the State Games of Texas this year. Her 100 Freestyle Relay Team was seeded fourth, but won the gold medal. She also placed 3rd in the 100 Individual Medley, dropping 6 seconds off her time.

Congratulations to Aleah Minnix who represented our city well, and good luck to her going forward.

**ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A