WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that we, the members of the Wayne County Commission, pause to recognize and bestow due honor upon JOELLE JOYNER of Detroit, Michigan, who will have one of her original drawings, “Fin de l’e’té’” (“End of Summer”) displayed for one year at the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C., beginning in July 2016; and

WHEREAS, Competing against more than 40 other students in Michigan’s 14th Congressional District, the work of JOELLE JOYNER was chosen as the best, and will be among 435 pieces of art displayed at the Capitol, proudly representing the district of Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence; and

WHEREAS, JOELLE JOYNER, 16, describes “Fin de l’e’té’” as a starlight lily against a dark green leaf, and created the artwork in a drawing class taught by Susan Smith at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, Michigan, where Joelle will be entering the 11th grade this fall; and

WHEREAS, JOELLE JOYNER developed an interest in drawing as a 5th-grade student, and she has been lovingly encouraged by her parents, Michelle and William, who purchase her supplies. Her older brothers, Jamal and Julian, also have an interest in art; and

WHEREAS, In addition to art, JOELLE JOYNER also enjoys history and reading, is a published poet, speaks Chinese and Spanish, volunteers at Children’s Hospital of Michigan in Detroit, and is involved with the Green Club and varsity equestrian team; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Wayne County Commission recognizes and congratulates JOELLE JOYNER for this prestigious honor; and, further, be it

RESOLVED, On this 7th day of July 2016, that this resolution be spread at length upon the journal of this day’s proceedings to endure as a lasting record of acknowledgement and celebration for the creativity displayed by JOELLE JOYNER. May future endeavors continue to be filled with success.