



## Legislation Text

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**City Council Meeting Date:** May 21, 2019

**To:** Mayor and City Council  
City Administrator

**From:** Teresa Jensen, Director of Library & IT Services  
Consider Resolution of Recognition to Isabella Callery for the “2019 Poetry Out Loud National Champion” Award.

**Action Requested:**

The Northfield City Council is being asked to approve the attached Resolution recognizing Isabella Callery for winning the National Poetry Out Loud competition on May 1, 2019.

**Summary Report:**

Arcadia Charter School senior Isabella Callery won the MN state Poetry Out Loud competition on March 7 at the Loft Literary Center in Minneapolis. She advanced to the national competition, held in Washington DC on April 30-May 1, and was among the 53 state champions competing in the National Finals. Isabella earned top honors, reciting poems by Joy Harjo, Natalie Diaz and Charles Lamb, earning a \$20,000 award. Isabella has competed at the state level for Poetry Out Loud since her freshman year of high school, but this was her first appearance at the National Finals. Poetry Out Loud, now in its 14<sup>th</sup> year, is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation.

**Council Recognition of Citizens/Groups/Events**

Proclamations will be in the form of a resolution and submitted to the council for consideration and approval. Individual Council Members may recognize citizens or groups during the presentations portion of the Council agenda.

**Alternative Options:**

None

**Financial Impacts:**

None

**Tentative Timelines:**

None