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Moved by: Mr. Stratton
Seconded by: Mr. Norris

2021 ARRL Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award

WHEREAS, The *ARRL Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award* is given annually to a licensed radio amateur under the age of 21. The nominee must be a current ARRL member. The nominee's accomplishments and contributions to both the community of Amateur Radio and the local community should be of the most exemplary nature; and,

WHEREAS, The ARRL's Programs and Services Committee serves as the award panel and reviews the nominations received from the members and selects the winner(s) of this award; and,

WHEREAS, Katherine Forson, KT5KMF, has been licensed and active in amateur radio since 2013 at age 9, upgraded to General class in 2017, and became an Extra class licensee on April of 2018. In addition to being active in the amateur radio world, Katherine is active in her school and community. She is currently serving as the North Texas Section Youth Coordinator, is an active member of the Collin County Races, is a Skywarn trained storm spotter, had an article in QST showcasing one of her many her science fair projects, won second place in the Dallas Regional Science Engineering fair, is an active member of the Plano amateur radio club, participates as an amateur radio operator in public service events such as Plano Balloon Festival, and is currently working with several other YL's in the ARRL North Texas Section to help build a YL friendly area of the ARRLNTX Section website. She is also active in her high school band, and maintains a 4.0 grade point average in school.

THEREFORE, the ARRL Board of Directors, with the recommendation of the Programs and Services Committee does hereby bestow the *2021 ARRL Hiram Percy Maxim Award* to Katherine Forson, KT5KMF

Cost: Plaque fabrication less than \$100, minimal staff time for administration (award, preparation, delivery, etc.)