

May 27, 2025,

Dear Dakota P.,

On behalf of the City of North Port and the North Port City Commission, I am honored to write in recognition of your achievement in receiving the prestigious "Gold Award" for the Girl Scouts.

Dakota, you have provided the community with a great service for your work on the project "Valerie House". In partnership with Valerie House, this was an excellent endeavor to address youth mental health and grief in our community. We appreciate and recognize your action of researching youth mental health and grief, then redesigning the children's waiting room at Valerie House to create a welcoming space. We recognize your compassion of repainting the room and assembling a resource box filled with toys and activities to support the well-being of grieving children. Your efforts on this project will have a lasting positive impact on the community and we thank you. Once again, congratulations on receiving the "Gold Award" for the Girl Scouts.

Sincerely,

Phil Stokes

Mayor