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Ozark Girl Goes Gold

OZARK – Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama has recognized Carroll High School student Maya Harlow with the organization’s highest recognition of achievement, the Gold Award – putting her into an elite group of Girl Scouts from around the country.

Harlow received the Gold Award for her community presentations and events demonstrating the public training of her future service dog, CCI Adobe V, which reached more than 35,000 people. Harlow says her passion for service dog awareness has grown tremendously through the training by knowing she is educating someone new each day on the importance of service dog etiquette. However, she says that she had some initial concerns about her Gold Award project.

“At first, I was a little intimidated,” Harlow said. “My project was going to require a lot of public speaking and before my Gold Award project, this was something I was not completely confident in. Thankfully, earning my Gold Award changed me, just as it changed my community.”

Harlow is now setting a new goal to attend Auburn University where she would plans to major in pre-veterinarian studies and eventually get her D.V. in Veterinary Science, and plans to continue raising future service dogs.

Since 1916, girls have successfully answered the call to “Go Gold,” an act that indelibly marks them as accomplished members of their communities and the world. Nationwide, less than 6 percent of eligible Girl Scouts earn the Gold Award.

Earning the Gold Award is just one of the amazing things girls can do as part of Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama. To join or learn more about volunteering, please visit www.girlscoutssa.org.

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