



***Prince George's
County Council Member
Ingrid M. Turner
(D) – District 4***

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COUNCIL MEMBER TURNER PRESENTS PROCLAMATION TO MISS MARYLAND
Bowie High Graduate and Morgan State Senior, Recognized for Pageant Achievements

Prince George's County Council Member Ingrid M. Turner (D) – District 4, presented a Council Proclamation to Miss Maryland Shana Powell, during Council session on Tuesday, November 20, 2007.

Council Member Turner spoke proudly of Powell and her many accomplishments. "Shana is a product of Prince George's County Schools and a young woman of great achievement - proof positive that graduates of our County's schools are doing great things. I am confident she will represent Prince George's County and the state of Maryland well in the Miss America competition."

Powell was humbled by the recognition. "I grew up in Prince Georges County, and went to school here – from elementary through high school. It was my experience with the school system that inspired me – with their music programs – to pursue vocal performance. I had a wonderful and enriching experience with the music opportunities offered in Prince George's County and I am honored to receive this proclamation."



Prince George's County Council Member Ingrid Turner (D) – District 4, and Miss Maryland Shana Powell.

Powell, a senior vocal performance major at Morgan State University, was crowned Miss Maryland during the 72nd Annual Miss Maryland Pageant. Powell studied music privately beginning at the age of 15, later enrolling in the Washington National Opera Institute for Young Singers, an educational outreach program emphasizing language, diction and movement.

With *Musical Education and the Arts* as her platform, Powell will compete for the title of Miss America 2008 in Las Vegas, Nevada, scheduled to take place on January 26, 2008.

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