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ATLANTA-AREA TEACHER, RONELLE KEGLAR CROWNED MISS BLACK GEORGIA USA 2010
Local Student, Candi Caul Crowned Miss Black Georgia Teen 2009

ATLANTA – November 20, 2009 – Atlanta-area teacher, Ronelle Keglur was crowned Miss Black Georgia USA 2010 on last Saturday, November 14 at the Miss/Ms Black Georgia USA Pageant. Fifteen young ladies from various backgrounds and cities from across the state came to compete; but, after months of preparation and two dazzling nights of stupendous performances, panel interviews and modeling stunning gowns, the judges named Keglur the new queen.

Ronelle Keglur, a native of Indianapolis, but now a Georgia Peach, is a graduate of Alabama A & M University and Georgia State University where she received her bachelor's and graduate degrees, respectively. She is also an active member of the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter of the International Music Fraternity for Women, Sigma Alpha Iota. She is employed by the Dekalb County Schools, where she teaches 3rd grade.

In addition to childhood education, Miss Keglur is concerned with the excess weight and obesity plaguing communities around the country. She works to educate others about the importance of healthy and active lifestyle, from proper exercising to choosing the right foods for a healthier diet.

“We are proud to present our new reigning queen for the year 2010, Miss Ronelle Keglur,” stated Carletta Hurt, Executive Director. “Ronelle exemplifies what this pageant is about – strong and empowered African-American women leaders who are economically empowered, politically astute, spiritually centered, and civic-minded.”

On Saturday afternoon, the Miss Black Georgia Teen Pageant was held, during which five young teenaged ladies competed for the crown. The “Ladies of Motown” themed-pageant showcased the ladies in the areas of talent, fashion and their depiction of famed female singing artists from Diana Ross to Erykah Badu. The *Jazzy Jewels* of

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Freedom Middle School dance troupe entertained the audience with a performance filled with electrifying moves and precision.

Only one girl could be crowned queen, and 17-year-old Candi Caul, a senior at an Atlanta-area private school, won the coveted title of Miss Black Georgia Teen 2009 for the year. Miss Caul wowed the crowd with a self-penned, dramatic monologue on teen violence.

“This year’s pageants were filled with very talented ladies from across Georgia who are very talented and passionate about their communities in which they live, work and attend school,” added Hurt. “Although they all spent long hours preparing for this special evening, only one could be crowned queen; however, we consider them all winners.”

As the newly crowned queen, Keglar is the recipient of a \$3, 000 scholarship, a Dell laptop computer, a professional stylists, and other prizes and services. Caul is also the recipient of an array of prizes and services, including a \$1, 000 scholarship. Both will head into their new reigning years, making appearances and working causes near and dear to their hearts.

Sponsors of this year’s events are Queen’s Level, Aaron’s; Princess Level, Dr. Miracle’s; Media Sponsor, *Rolling Out Urban Style Weekly*; and Nikki Darling & Co.

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Miss/Ms. Black Georgia USA is a non-profit entity designed to develop, celebrate, and assist with the educational goals of African-American women. The organization believes minority women should be economically empowered, politically astute, spiritually centered, and civic minded. The mission of Miss/Ms. Black Georgia USA is to identify, develop, and promote national leadership within the African-American community among women 18-45 years of age. This mission is served through intensive contestant development and by working to become the largest state provider of scholarships to African American women in Georgia.

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