



88TH ANNUAL CAPITOL TREE LIGHTING **NAYELI LEMUS**

Ten-year-old Nayeli Lemus, a student from Gilroy, was selected by the San Andreas Regional Center and California Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to help Governor Gavin Newsom and First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom light this year’s Capitol Christmas Tree.

Nayeli is excited to represent more than 340,000 Californians who have intellectual and developmental disabilities and receive services from the state’s 21 nonprofit regional centers and facilities operated by DDS. Since birth, she has received specialized services from her local regional center for a diagnosis of Down syndrome.

This independent and energetic 4th grader is fully included in her public-school classroom with additional support. She loves school, singing, dancing, going to the beach and reading books. Most of all, she enjoys spending time with friends and her parents Angel and Rosalinda, two-year-old sister Naia, and large extended family.

ABOUT NAYELI

Age
10

Hometown
Gilroy

School
Charter School
of Morgan Hill

Personality
Happy & Extroverted

Invented
The Family Group Hug

Speaks
English & Spanish

Loves
Watching Movies under
the Stars

First Concert
KIDZ BOP

Favorite Musician
Bruno Mars



Angel, Rosalinda, Nayeli and Naia Lemus

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