

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1434

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A RESOLUTION to recognize David Andrew Figlestahler upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men and women with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Scout can attain in the Boy Scouts of America Scouts BSA program is that of Eagle Scout, and David Andrew Figlestahler, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, will join the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Figlestahler began his Scouting journey at six years old as a Cub Scout, and he has been a member of Boy Scout Troop 82 in Harrison for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement includes thirty-two merit badges and the Bronze Eagle Palms; he is a member of the Order of the Arrow, and his leadership positions include distinguished service as chaplain and assistant patrol leader; and

WHEREAS, some of his fondest memories as a Scout include an eleven-day trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico in 2023, where he hiked and backpacked more than 100 miles; in 2019, he also camped at and became a certified scuba diver at Sea Base, a high-adventure camp program in the Florida Keys; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Figlestahler's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism; for his project, he worked alongside a group of Scouts and volunteers to restore an old and forgotten pre-Civil War-era cemetery in Charleston; the cemetery, which had been untouched for decades, had gravestones toppled

over and was overgrown. His project ensured that the graves and lives would not be forgotten;  
and

WHEREAS, a senior at Silverdale Baptist Academy, Andrew Figlestahler is the school's golf team captain, and under his leadership, the team won its first district championship in school history; additionally, he has been a member of the wrestling, baseball, and track teams;  
and

WHEREAS, Mr. Figlestahler is an active member of Broad Street United Methodist Church in Cleveland, and he plans to attend the College of Business at Mississippi State University, where he has been offered a position in the Professional Golf Management program;  
and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Andy and Sissy Figlestahler, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Mr. Figlestahler as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate David Andrew Figlestahler on becoming an Eagle Scout and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.