

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 46

By Hazlewood

A RESOLUTION to recognize William Owen 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 Boy Scout can attain in the Boy Scouts of America Scouts BSA program is that of Eagle Scout, and William Owen, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 172 includes numerous merit badges and distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle project, Will Owen created an information kiosk at Rivermont Baseball Park, the crafting of which involved thirteen volunteers and fifty-two hours of work and the completion of which helps visitors to navigate the park; the project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, outside the typical outdoor activities of a Scout, Will, the beloved son of Harold and Rebecca Owen, is a senior at McCallie School in Chattanooga and enjoys playing lacrosse and serving as a member of his school's coordinate crew and entertainment council; additionally, he belongs to a cover band that plays music at school events and some local venues; and

WHEREAS, he is a citizen thoughtful of others and volunteers at Rivermont Athletic Association, the local community kitchen, and Ironman Chattanooga events; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owen plans to attend Belmont University and pursue a degree in music business, hoping to eventually become a successful music artist or attain a career in music business; and

WHEREAS, thoughtful of this world and the next, Mr. Owen is a member of Mount Carmel Baptist Church in Signal Mountain; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize William Owen 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 William Owen 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.