

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 111

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Caitlin Winburn for taking top honors at the East Tennessee Walking Horse Association's Annual Awards Banquet.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young people who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as outstanding citizens of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy young person is Miss Caitlin Winburn of Whitesburg, who recently took top honors at the East Tennessee Walking Horse Association's Annual Awards Banquet in Gatlinburg; and

WHEREAS, this annual and prestigious equestrian event recognizes forty-six performance, flatshod, and halter categories in the East Tennessee Region with participants hailing from numerous states; and

WHEREAS, along with her splendid horse, "You're The Man," Caitlin won the Youth 11 and Under Champion, Youth 11 and Under Rider of the Year, and Performance Horse of the Year awards, and the East Tennessee Trainers Association named "You're The Man" as the Horse of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin is the daughter of Ralph and Shari Winburn, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jarrell Haun and Mrs. Margaret Winburn and the late Robert Winburn; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded by her classmates and peers, Miss Winburn is a sixth grader at East Ridge Middle School, where she is a valued member of the band; and

WHEREAS, her noble steed is a twelve-year-old Tennessee Walking Horse chestnut gelding standing at 16.2 hands. He is trained by Thomas Collins at Summerhill Farm in Rogersville and shod by Larry Goforth of Talbott; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished and esteemed equestrian, Caitlin has exhibited dedication and devotion to the sport while showing “You’re The Man” for the past three years, and together they have ranked in the national top three in the Walking Horse Report; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin’s noteworthy achievements are a tremendous source of pride for her family and her community; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Winburn epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true equestrian, and her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect and admiration of this legislative body; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Miss Winburn for her remarkable achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Caitlin Winburn upon taking top honors at the East Tennessee Walking Horse Association’s Annual Awards Banquet, commend her estimable equestrian skills, and extend to her our best wishes for continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.