

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 147

By Eldridge

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Tennessee's high-achieving students who participate in the United States Academic Decathlon and to wish them well in the upcoming national competition.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to recognize those outstanding and gifted students of our State who bring honor to Tennessee as members of academic teams and act as ambassadors for our State through successful academic competition; and

WHEREAS, the United States Academic Decathlon (USAD) develops and provides academic competitions, curriculum, and assessment to promote learning and academic excellence through teamwork among students of all achievement levels: and

WHEREAS, the USAD provides students of all learning levels the opportunity to excel academically through team competition; and

WHEREAS, the USAD is a team competition in which students match their intellects with students from other schools; students are tested in ten categories: art, economics, essay, interview, language and literature, mathematics, music, science, social science, and speech; and

WHEREAS, a number of Tennessee's high-achieving students participate in this outstanding program, which is recognized as one of the most prestigious high school academic team competitions in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the USAD national competition will be held on April 22 through 25, 2009, at the Downtown Marriott Hotel and the Cook Convention Center in Memphis, Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Tennessee's outstanding United States Academic Decathlon participants on their stellar academic ability and high achievement and offer our best wishes for their success in the upcoming national competition in Memphis.

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