

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 279

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Waves, Inc., on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should recognize those exemplary organizations and their remarkable personnel who, through their unwavering commitment to excellence, are credits to this State, and

WHEREAS, one such notable organization is Waves, Inc., which will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on October 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Waves was founded in 1973 by a group of individuals who desired to "make waves" for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who had little to do in the day time; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Waves has strived to maintain programs and services that are consistent with best practices in the field and in keeping with the needs of the Williamson County community; and

WHEREAS, serving over 300 individuals and families annually, Waves currently provides services in the Fairview, Franklin, Spring Hill, Thompson Station, and Nolensville communities of Williamson County; and

WHEREAS, the agency also operates two adult day programs that provide a variety of independent living and vocational skills training; and

WHEREAS, Waves employment services programs provide job counseling, training, and placement for individuals who want to work in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Waves' early learning program provides a comprehensive approach to play-based learning and development therapy for infants and pre-school-aged children who are experiencing delays in speech and language, cognitive, motor, or self-help skills; and

WHEREAS, as Waves celebrates its rich history of fifty years of service, it is appropriate to honor the people who have volunteered their time, talent, and resources by serving on its Board of Directors, the individuals and their families who have benefited from the services provided, the talented and dedicated staff who have supported, coached, and provided support and encouragement, and the individuals who have provided feedback and guidance as a result of their relationship with Waves, such as funding, compliance, or community partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Waves, Inc., is most assuredly worthy of our recognition and approbation; 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 recognize and commend Waves, Inc., on fifty years of innumerable contributions to the well-being of the citizens of the State of Tennessee. We honor these outstanding professionals for their ongoing commitment to the needs of their fellow citizens and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success and happiness in their future endeavors.

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.