

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 479

By Weaver

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joshua Trei Swaim,
2013 Valedictorian of Gordonsville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Swaim is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class at Gordonsville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Joshua Swaim has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Swaim has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, he has been an active participant in his school's extracurricular activities including: Beta Club, Interact, HOSA, Spanish Club, Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), football, outdoor club, and drama club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Swaim has held leadership positions, including that of Captain of the State Champion football team, and was the recipient of the Turney Ford Memorial Award in football; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, he plans to attend Tennessee Technical University; and

WHEREAS, throughout his time in high school, Joshua says that he has learned that hard work and dedication can take a person just as far, or further, than natural talent; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Swaim's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Billy and Barbara Swaim, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, with the support of his family, friends, and mentors like Mark Medley, Joshua has been able to achieve a great level of success; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Swaim's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Gordonsville High School Valedictorian, Joshua Trei Swaim, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

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