

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 523

By Rudd

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Tiffany Johnson as an outstanding community servant.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Johnson is one such individual who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a native of southern California, Mrs. Johnson received her Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science and her Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Middle Tennessee State University, from which she graduated *cum laude*; she is pursuing her master's degree in public administration as well as her graduate certificate in nonprofit management from Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, she served as a legislative intern for State Representative Charles Sargent in the 2010 session of the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly; she then became a legislative assistant in the office of State Representative Tim Wirgau, where she worked for five years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnson created a strategic plan for the Sam Davis Home as an assignment for a class on managing nonprofit organizations; when she presented the plan to the Sam Davis Home's board of directors, the board members asked her to apply for the open director's position; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Johnson now serves as the executive director of the Historic Sam Davis Home and Plantation in Smyrna; during her tenure, she has reorganized the office area, revisited the organization's contracts for services, and upgraded the computer system to a main server that can be accessed from all of the office's computers; and

WHEREAS, she has created special programs and areas for children at the Sam Davis Home, including a special quiet room where children can view interesting displays, play historical games, and color pictures while their parents view some of the other attractions; another major project of hers is to focus on the house's slave cabins, which provide fascinating insights into antebellum life; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Johnson enjoys the love and support she shares with her husband, Travis Johnson, and her seven children, Zoey, Kayla, Elijah, Ireland, Emerson, Oliver, and Preston; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnson is a proven leader who has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Johnson is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and commend Tiffany Johnson as an outstanding community servant, thank her for her good works, 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.