

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 560

By Sparks

A RESOLUTION to commend Autumn Claire Pierce for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session, this General Assembly is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Autumn Claire Pierce is one such individual, who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Mike Sparks; Ms. Pierce's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Middle Tennessee State University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Claire Pierce is pursuing a degree in political science while also participating in numerous extracurricular activities; she previously attended Jackson State Community College and graduated *summa cum laude*; and

WHEREAS, with no shortage of dedication, Ms. Pierce is often referred to as a top intern by many of Representative Sparks's colleagues and cohorts; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her legislative and academic responsibilities, Ms. Pierce works within her real estate business and on her family farm; she is also proficient in sculpting, painting, drawing, and instrumental performance; and

WHEREAS, passionate about changing lives, Ms. Pierce applied to become a police officer in her town and made it through the hiring process to the final two candidates; additionally, she has been recognized in the top ten percent of salespeople in the nation and among the top five percent in the state; and

WHEREAS, aside from her many professional accomplishments, Ms. Pierce is most grateful for the love and support she shares with her cherished husband; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee State government and to further her studies, Claire Pierce brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2023 session of the One Hundred Thirteenth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2023 legislative session, Ms. Pierce has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Claire Pierce has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and profound decorum; 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 hereby commend Autumn Claire Pierce for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Mike Sparks and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

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.