

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 650

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A RESOLUTION to recognize the innovative stewardship and cooperative spirit of Marion County's elected officials and appointed entities.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those communities that exhibit cooperation and innovative thinking in the stewardship of taxpayer money; and

WHEREAS, statutory restrictions and narrow funding parameters present obstacles to magnifying the return to taxpayers through cooperation; and

WHEREAS, this body recognizes the difficulty of prioritizing the expenditure of taxpayer money; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County School District, the Marion County Commission, and the Marion County Library Board of Trustees have found many overlapping outcome goals; and

WHEREAS, reducing redundancies with those outcome goals would enhance the value of taxpayers' return on investment; and

WHEREAS, the desire of the aforementioned entities is to provide trend-setting services instead of merely perpetuating the status quo; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned entities have a vision for combining resources in a safe, comprehensive solution; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and congratulate the Marion County School District, the Marion County Commission, and the Marion County Library Board of Trustees on exploring and studying the potential of leading the State with options for combining library resources to provide

a 21st century library, which collaborative project could serve as a template to help other municipalities in Tennessee construct, maintain, and operate tomorrow's libraries today.

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