

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 663

By Carr

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Patrick W. Carr, Jr., upon his graduation from Hume Fogg Magnet High School with honors.

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, Patrick W. Carr, Jr., is one such exceptional student who recently graduated from Hume Fogg Magnet High School with honors, in the top 10 percent of his class; and

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

WHEREAS, the son of Patrick W. Carr and Mary Carr and the grandson of Joe William Carr, a Major in the United States Air Force who flew combat missions in both Korea and Vietnam, Patrick earned an exemplary grade point average throughout his high school career, which assured him membership in the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his dedication to academic excellence, Patrick won a scholarship to the University of North Texas, where he intends to study Jazz Piano; and

WHEREAS, Patrick's scholastic success also garnered him other awards and honors, including the Physics Award, AP Chemistry Award, Best AP Chemistry Award, Calculus Award A/B, and AP Scholar with Honor Award; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished jazz pianist, Patrick Carr has received numerous awards and accolades for his abilities at the local, regional, and state levels; he has been honored with the Jazz Band Award, Top Band Member, the Band Dedication Award, and the National Band Award, the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award; and

WHEREAS, he was also named to the Silver Jazz Band - Mid-State, Gold Jazz Band - Mid-State, and the Allstate Jazz Band; and

WHEREAS, a well rounded young man, Patrick enjoys membership in the Boy Scouts of America as an Eagle Scout and the Church of the Redeemer. He is very active within his youth group and volunteers his time and talents to the church's inner city ministry and its program to support Rwandan farmers; and

WHEREAS, Patrick's intellectual aptitude, musical talents, and public service surely bode well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Patrick'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 SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Patrick W. Carr, Jr., upon his graduation with honors from Hume Fogg Magnet High School. We congratulate him upon 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.