

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 940

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the organizers and volunteers of the Third Annual Earth Round-Up Day in Blount County.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable events whose organizers and volunteers bring honor to Tennessee by improving the quality of life and preserving the environment for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Blount County's Third Annual Earth Round-Up Day is one such estimable occasion, sponsored by the Little River Watershed Association, Keep Blount Beautiful, the Blount Chamber Partnership, Maryville College, Denso, Alcoa Inc., as well as a wide array of local businesses, industries, and government agencies; and

WHEREAS, held on Saturday, April 24, 2010, Earth Round-Up Day will include numerous clean-up efforts along waterways, in parks, and beside roads throughout Blount County, followed by a community celebration and educational event at Maryville College later that evening; and

WHEREAS, Earth Round-Up Day traces its roots back to the Little River Awareness Day, which began twenty years ago as a river clean-up project; in 2008, Little River Awareness Day formally merged with Maryville's air quality awareness event, Air Fest, to form Blount County's Earth Round-Up Day; and

WHEREAS, in association with this glorious and significant event, Blount County has proclaimed April 2010 as "Earth Matters Month" and encouraged all of its citizens and businesses to be good stewards of the earth and participate in a variety of planned activities throughout the month; and

WHEREAS, the organizers and volunteers of Blount County's Third Annual Earth Round-Up Day are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and they should be specially recognized; 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 honor and commend the organizers and volunteers of Blount County's Third Annual Earth Round-Up Day, applaud their incredible efforts to keep Blount County a clean and healthy community, salute their continued practice of environmental stewardship, and extend to them our best wishes for success in their future endeavors.

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