

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1322

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Hixson High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps unit upon its fiftieth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those young Tennesseans who are learning the value of hard work, precision, discipline, and perseverance through their participation in the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC); and

WHEREAS, the Reserve Officers' Training Corps Vitalization Act of 1964 directed the secretaries of each military service to establish and maintain JROTC units; and

WHEREAS, a founding JROTC unit, the Hixson High School Air Force JROTC was established in the 1973-1974 academic year and is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, the many contributions of the Hixson High School Air Force JROTC program to the development of career options for its cadets are a great source of pride for the students and their families, as well as for their school and community; and

WHEREAS, while the program has maintained a reputation for excellence throughout its fifty-year history, in the program's last fifteen years, the Hixson High School Air Force JROTC unit has earned the highest rating possible, the Distinguished Unit Award with Merit, for seven consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, Hixson High School Air Force JROTC cadets have shown the initiative, dedication, and determination to compete in many JROTC extracurricular activities, including drill, color guard, marksmanship, academic bowls, Raiders, and Cyber Patriot; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Hixson High School Air Force JROTC unit are eight-time drill and color guard champions and have won first place in the gold division for Cyber Patriot; the JROTC program's academic team has qualified for the national competition in Washington, D.C., and their Raider teams have placed in the county championships for three years in a row; and

WHEREAS, Hixson High School Air Force JROTC cadets learn about leadership and management every day; the cadets plan and execute countless community service events and various activities that separate them from their peers; and

WHEREAS, Hixson High School Air Force JROTC cadets are driving for success, and their commitment to service exemplifies the loyalty, pride, and dedication to excellence that make our country so great; and

WHEREAS, we are pleased to recognize the members of the Hixson High School Air Force JROTC program for their unswerving dedication to the betterment of this great nation and its citizenry; 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 honor and commend the cadets and instructors of the Hixson High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps unit upon the program's fiftieth anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for every future success in service to our country.

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.

