HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8016 of the Second Extraordinary Session By Beck

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Lyn Noland for exemplary service to her community.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Lyn Noland, who has distinguished herself as a citizen of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, a licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor and the Executive Director of Recovery Community, Inc., Lyn Noland is wholly devoted to improving the lives of her fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Noland founded Recovery Community, Inc., in 2007; she takes a special interest in her clients, providing housing, intensive outpatient treatment, case management, alcohol and drug abuse counseling, relapse prevention, and wrap-around services to ensure that Recovery Community always remains a comprehensive place of healing for the whole person; and

WHEREAS, Lyn Noland has shared her personal story of recovery across the nation to recovery courts, law enforcement groups, churches, and community organizations, but her favorite place to speak is in the jails, prisons, and treatment centers where one person may finally hear the hope they need to stay clean; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated professional, Ms. Noland is a member of the Davidson County

Division X Recovery Court Treatment Team, the Tennessee Association of Recovery Court

Professionals, and the National and Tennessee Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Counselors; she also served as a spokesperson for Governor Phil Bredesen's Meth Free Tennessee Initiative; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she has been featured in *The Tennessean, Vanderbilt Medical Magazine*, and President George W. Bush's "The Faith-Based and Community Initiative: A Final Report to the Armies of Compassion"; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Lyn Noland is perhaps most grateful for the love and support she shares with her three children, Shelby, Steven, and Sawyer; and

WHEREAS, Lyn Noland exemplifies the spirit and commitment to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and she should be specially recognized for her many accomplishments and devoted work; 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 honor and commend Lyn Noland for her selfless service to her fellow citizens and extend to her our best wishes for continued success and happiness in all her 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.