

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 32

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Kaya Grace Porter, 2019 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

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 individual is Kaya Grace Porter, who was recently recognized as a member of the 2019 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30, presented by the Tennessee chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Tennessee chapter selects thirty individuals for Nashville's Top 30 Under 30, which recognizes business professionals throughout Middle Tennessee for their leadership qualities, volunteerism, and business endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Porter is an associate attorney at Lewis, Thomason, King, Krieg & Waldrop, P.C., in Nashville, where she was a summer associate from June 2015 to August 2015; she returned to the firm as an associate attorney in September 2016, and since that time, she has represented clients in the areas of education, labor and employment, immigration, and insurance defense litigation; and

WHEREAS, in May 2013, Kaya Porter graduated *cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a minor in communication studies from the University of Georgia, where she was in the Honors Program; thereafter, she earned her Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee College of Law in May 2016; and

WHEREAS, deeply committed to the Nashville community, Ms. Porter serves as chair of the Education Committee of Emerging Leaders for KIPP Nashville, promoting educational opportunity equality and awareness; a member of the Nashville Bar Association (NBA), she is

chair of the NBA's Diversity Committee and a member of the association's Community Relations Committee, in which capacity she has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, Thistle Farms, and Nashville Rescue Mission. She also serves on the Connection Committee of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, helping raise awareness of the importance of voter registration and voting; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the individuals of the 2019 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30 for their dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Kaya Grace Porter on being named a member of the 2019 class of Nashville's Top 30 Under 30 by the Tennessee chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

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