

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 105

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Emmalynn Faith Hamer on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.17 million Tennessee volunteers give over 143.9 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.5 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Emmalynn Faith Hamer of Whitesburg is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hamer is a sophomore at Morristown East High School, where she is a member of the varsity cheer squad, the swim team, Interact Club, Beta Club, Sign Language Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Breakfast for Christ; she has been involved in volunteer work since middle school and, as a member of the Beta Club, participates in service projects separate from her independent volunteer work; and

WHEREAS, Emmalynn Hamer has a passion for children especially, volunteering much of her time to working with special needs children; and

WHEREAS, she has given many hours of her time, both in volunteer work and fundraising, for the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Morristown; and

WHEREAS, Emmalynn Faith Hamer is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; 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 Emmalynn Faith Hamer for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, 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.