SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 165

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A RESOLUTION to designate March of 2011 as "Listening Awareness Month" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, effective listening is central to the advancement of all human relations and endeavors; and

WHEREAS, this crucial skill is neither inherent nor innate and requires focused study and development; and

WHEREAS, the International Listening Association (ILA) is a professional organization whose estimable members are dedicated to learning more about the impact that listening has on all human activity; and

WHEREAS, the ILA will be holding its annual International Convention from March 31 until April 2, 2011, and Johnson City, Tennessee has been given the distinguished honor of hosting the highly-anticipated event this year; and

WHEREAS, always an enlightening and groundbreaking occasion, this year's theme will be "Listening for a Sustainable Future"; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, and students of East Tennessee State University have graciously volunteered to join forces with the ILA in order to bring necessary and effective listening training to our great State; now, therefore,

WHEREAS, Tennessee is proud to be an indispensable component of this vibrant, international community and is wholly committed to promoting the study, development, and teaching of listening and the practice of effective listening skills and techniques; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the General Assembly hereby designates March, 2011, as "Listening

Awareness Month" in Tennessee and urges all citizens to join in this observance.

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