

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 169

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jessica L. Nixon upon being crowned as Miss Johnson City 2009 and for her work in the prevention of domestic violence.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who bring beauty, grace, and purpose to all their endeavors and who serve as excellent ambassadors of our great State; and

WHEREAS, one such superlative Tennessean and beautiful young lady is Jessica L. Nixon, who was crowned as Miss Johnson City 2009, an achievement which earns her the privilege of serving as an area-wide ambassador at many functions and appearances in the coming year; and

WHEREAS, a native of Bristol, Miss Nixon is a graduate of East Tennessee State University (ETSU) and holds a bachelor's degree in Anthropology; she is currently a first year student at the Bill Gatton School of Pharmacy at ETSU; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, Jessica Nixon has dedicated her community service platform to domestic violence issues; and

WHEREAS, she admirably serves as the spokesperson for the Safe Passage Domestic Violence Shelter, which has benefited greatly from her dedication and efforts; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young lady is a strong advocate for promoting awareness and providing other resources needed to keep those suffering from domestic violence in our State safe; she volunteers for and supports several organizations and domestic violence programs in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, an outstanding public servant who has committed her time and energies to improving the quality of life for her fellow citizens, she has organized several events to raise money and awareness for the causes in which she so strongly believes; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Nixon has launched an area-wide public service campaign to promote the community service project "These Hands Don't Hurt Pledge," which is a program designed to prevent domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, making a tremendous difference in the her community by touching hearts and changing lives, Jessica Nixon serves a role model for all to follow; the residents of Johnson City are deeply proud of this remarkable young lady and her many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Nixon has attained excellence in many fields of human endeavor at a young age, from scholastic achievements and community outreach to pageant competition, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jessica L. Nixon upon her coronation as Miss Johnson City 2009, applaud her work in the prevention of domestic violence, 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.