## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 181**

## By Burks

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Nick White on winning the 2009 TSSAA Division I State Wrestling Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted student-athletes, who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of our State; and

WHEREAS, Nick White, a senior at Cookville High School, is one such noteworthy athlete who distinguished himself as the 2009 TSSAA Division I State Wrestling Champion of the 215-pound weight division; and

WHEREAS, with roots tracing back to the ancient Greeks and the early Olympics, wrestling is a most demanding sport, and Mr. White has proven himself to be a remarkable wrestler as well as a valuable team player; and

WHEREAS, despite suffering a loss in the region three championship, Nick White won the state championship match over Cleveland High School's Max Ofori; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of wrestling coach Scott Cook is without peer; the support of family, fans, and the entire Cookeville High School community provided positive reinforcement and vital encouragement to Mr. White; and

WHEREAS, with the help of his coach, family, and supporters, Mr. White displayed peerless ability and character in his effort to attain perfection, enabling him to capture the state wrestling championship; and

WHEREAS, Mr. White epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are essential in achieving success and that are also characteristic of a true Tennessean; the talent and determination exhibited by this young man surely bode well for his future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Nick White's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; 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 honor and congratulate Nick White for his heralded success on the wrestling mat and his capture of the 2009 TSSAA Division I State Wrestling Championship.

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

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