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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 197

By Harper

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Queen McElrath upon being selected the Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee Youth of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Queen McElrath, who was recently named the Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Queen resides in Nashville and has been a member of the Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Club exists to serve youth and to be a safe place of encouragement, character building, security, and love for children; and

WHEREAS, since 1947, the Youth of the Year has been the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of club members; and

WHEREAS, Youth of the Year participants embody the values of leadership, service, academic excellence, and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Youth of the Year participants such as Queen exemplify the critical impact of Boys & Girls Clubs on the lives of young people; and

WHEREAS, through the Youth of the Year program, Queen and other Youth of the Year participants are able to showcase their talents and achievements, share their hopes and dreams, and work toward a bright and positive future; and

WHEREAS, Queen McElrath is a shining example that GREAT FUTURES START HERE—at the Boys & Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people such as Queen McElrath, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others and who should be specially recognized for their public and community service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Queen McElrath upon being named the Boys & Girls Club of Middle Tennessee Youth of the Year 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.