

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 198

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Samuel Hall upon his qualifying for the Wodapalooza CrossFit Festival.

WHEREAS, we are pleased to honor and commend those exemplary athletes who, through their determination, ability, and endurance, have distinguished themselves as champions in the realm of national and international athletic competition; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is fifteen-year-old Samuel Hall of Telford, a competitor of extraordinary talent, skill, and athleticism, who recently qualified as one of ten finalists in his age division for the Wodapalooza CrossFit Festival in Miami, Florida, held on January 12-15, 2023, and broadcast live on YouTube; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Hall competed against seventy athletes from around the world in a series of individual online CrossFit qualifiers to advance to the Wodapalooza CrossFit Festival, finishing second in the thirteen- to fifteen-year-old division in September 2022; and

WHEREAS, with incredible skill and athleticism, Mr. Hall won the fourteen- to fifteen-year-old division of the Granite Games in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in June 2022 and placed second as the youngest competitor in the Beach Town Throw Down in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, in May 2022; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance of coach Gus Florez of CrossFit Glorified in Limestone, Samuel Hall trained six days a week for the competition in Miami; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Hall's display of drive and determination surely bodes well for his future success, and his accomplishments are a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Isabel and Gary Hall, his six siblings, and his community; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to specially recognize Mr. Hall for his outstanding performance and commitment to excellence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Samuel Hall upon his qualifying for the Wodapalooza CrossFit Festival and wish him every continued success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.