

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 462

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to commend Ryan Blackburn Baird for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Blackburn Baird is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for the Senate Clerk's Office; Mr. Baird's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a 2017 graduate of East Tennessee State University (ETSU), Ryan Baird earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science with a Minor in Legal Studies; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at ETSU, Mr. Baird ably served as the vice president of the student body, senator for the college of arts and sciences, student body representative on the Intercollegiate Athletic Committee, and chairman of the Public Relations Committee; and

WHEREAS, he further served as the president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, representative for the chapter at the national Pike University Conference, member at large on the Executive Council, and president of his pledge class; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Ryan Baird brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2017 session of the One Hundred Tenth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, as the intern for the Senate Clerk's Office, Mr. Baird served as the bill and computer clerk for the Senate Transportation and Government Operations committees; he assisted in the process of engrossing bills and preparing bill tickets for session, and he transmitted the approved and signed bills from the Senate to the Office of Publications; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2017 legislative session, Mr. Baird has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Baird has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Ryan Blackburn Baird for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the Senate Clerk's Office and extend to him 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.