

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 520

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Zachary Joseph Graber, 2009 Salutatorian of Christian Brothers High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Zachary Graber is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2009 graduating class at Christian Brothers High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Graber has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Zachary Graber has earned an exemplary 4.448 grade point average, while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Okeon Chapter B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, Memphis Federation of Temple Youth, Key Club, Spanish Club, Organization of Young Political Scientists, and the Psychology Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Graber's estimable leadership skills have enabled him to serve his fellow students as a member of the Student Government Association, Homeroom Secretary, Sophomore Class Sergeant at Arms, President and Formal Chairman of Okeon Chapter, and Regional Convention Coordinator of B'nai B'rith; and

WHEREAS, his athletic prowess is evidenced by his participation in both the indoor and competitive soccer teams, the basketball team, and in the Fencing Club; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his singular achievements in both academics and athletics, Zachary Graber has received numerous awards and honors, including membership in the

National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society, 1st Place Honor Roll, and 1st Place National Spanish Exam – Level III; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Mr. Graber has endeavored to serve his fellow citizens through volunteer work with Special Olympics Kingpin Bowling and Temple Israel; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Graber's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at the University of Miami, where he plans to study International Business; and

WHEREAS, Zachary Graber's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Graber, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Graber'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 hereby commend and honor the 2009 Christian Brothers High School Salutatorian, Zachary Joseph Graber, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

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