## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 695**

## By Campbell

A RESOLUTION to recognize Matthew Dawson West upon attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men and women with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Scout can attain in the Boy Scouts of America Scouts
BSA program is that of Eagle Scout, and Matthew Dawson West, after considerable effort and
diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, a student at Valor College Prep, Matthew West began his Scouting journey in 2011 as part of Cub Scout Pack 85 in the Wolf Den, where he earned the highest attainable rank, the Arrow of Light; and

WHEREAS, Matthew proceeded to join Boy Scout Troop 285 and attained the rank of Eagle Scout on February 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community, reflected the true spirit of volunteerism, and proved to be a formidable, yet attainable, challenge; and

WHEREAS, for his project, he constructed and installed four wooden benches and a stone fire pit at Covenant Baptist Church in Nolensville for youth group gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, Matthew L. West, Kimberly E. West, and Jackson S. West, and his community; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Matthew West as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; 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 hereby honor and congratulate Matthew Dawson

West on becoming an Eagle Scout 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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