SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 708

By Haile

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Phillip Michael Byrd, 2014 Valedictorian of Westmoreland 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, Phillip Michael Byrd is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class at Westmoreland High School; and

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

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Phillip earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous school clubs and organizations, including Future Business Leaders of America, Science Club, and Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, winner of the Honors Physics Award, Honors Precalculus Award, Honors Trigonometry Award, Honors Geometry Award, and Honors World History Award, Phillip placed fifth in state Future Business Leaders of America business calculations, also placed fifth in the Tennessee Math Teachers Association precalculus competitions, attended the Governor's School for Sciences and Engineering, and was named a National Merit Finalist; Phillip's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Phillip's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Kevin and Kimberly Byrd, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Phillip'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 EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2014 Westmoreland High School Valedictorian, Phillip Michael Byrd, 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.