

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 981

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville and Greene County.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those exemplary clubs and organizations that are composed of stalwart citizens who are dedicated to improving the quality of life for the youth in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable organization that evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all its endeavors is the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville and Greene County, which received several honors from the Boys & Girls Clubs of America Tennessee Area Council at the organization's annual meeting in the fall of 2023; and

WHEREAS, chartered in 1998, the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County strives to improve each child's life by fostering self-esteem, courage, and positive values through various educational programs; the Boys & Girls Club family is a community of staff, volunteers, parents, youth, and supporters who work together to create a positive place, full of hope and opportunity for every child; and

WHEREAS, Chuck Bowlin, a board volunteer for Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville and Greene County, was honored by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America Tennessee Area Council as the Tennessee Boys & Girls Club Board Member of the Year for his work at the local club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bowlin has served the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville and Greene County in a number of capacities over the years, including as a member-at-large on the executive committee and vice president, and he is currently serving his fourth term as board president; and

WHEREAS, the president and CEO of Greeneville Energy Authority, Chuck Bowlin has also been involved in fundraising and hands-on activities for the local club, including building benches for the playground and remodeling kitchen cabinets with fellow board member Andy Schlesing; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County has been a constant in the community for over twenty-five years, serving young people and providing a safe, fun place with high-impact youth development programs that promote academic success, good character and leadership, citizenship, and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and it is appropriate that it should be specially recognized; 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 honor the Boys & Girls Club of Greeneville & Greene County and applaud its members, both past and present, on their contributions to their communities and the youth of the State of Tennessee.

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.