

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1174

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor Field Training Officer Taylor Heath of the Fairview Police Department for his heroism.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those individuals who, during the course of their duties, endeavor to protect the lives of their fellow citizens, braving great dangers and putting themselves at risk to save others; and

WHEREAS, Fairview Police Department Field Training Officer (FTO) Taylor Heath was truly heroic in his response to an emergency situation on January 28, 2024, ultimately saving the life of a young man in peril; and

WHEREAS, at approximately 8:00 p.m. that day, FTO Heath and Sergeant Martin were dispatched to a shooting at 7120 Crow Cut Road in Fairview, where they found a twenty-two-year-old man who had accidentally shot himself in the leg; and

WHEREAS, once on the scene, FTO Heath quickly grabbed a tourniquet from his vehicle and ran to the young man, applying the tourniquet to an upper-leg arterial bleed that was causing significant blood loss; and

WHEREAS, after successful application of the tourniquet, the bleed slowed to a drip; however, by that time, the young man had lost quite a bit of blood, and FTO Taylor Heath kept him calm and conscious until EMS personnel arrived; and

WHEREAS, the emergency room physician who attended to the victim later stated that, had it not been for FTO Heath's expert application of the tourniquet, the young man would likely not have survived; and

WHEREAS, FTO Heath's quick thinking and compassionate action were invaluable in helping to bring about a positive outcome in a potentially deadly situation; and

WHEREAS, it is wholly fitting that we recognize FTO Taylor Heath for his exceptional act of heroism; 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 commend Field Training Officer Taylor Heath of the Fairview Police Department for his act of heroism on January 28, 2024, commending his service to the citizens of Tennessee and extending our best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

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.