

SENATE RESOLUTION 59

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to commend Jeffrey R. Russell for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session, this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey R. Russell is one such individual, who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Ken Yager; Mr. Russell's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many endeavors, Mr. Russell, affectionately known as "J.R.," has enjoyed the love and support of his parents, Jeff and Brenda Russell; and

WHEREAS, a student at Tennessee Technological University, J.R. Russell is graduating with honors with his bachelor's degree in political science; he plans to enter the workforce and concurrently pursue a graduate degree in public policy; and

WHEREAS, while studying at Tennessee Tech, Mr. Russell was an active member of the university's Scuba Society and Phi Sigma Alpha National Political Honor Society, and he served as a student orientation assistant with the Office of New Student and Family Programs during the summer of 2020; and

WHEREAS, prior to transferring to Tennessee Technological University, J.R. Russell earned a degree from Roane State Community College, where he participated in the Student Government Association and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and served on various college committees and as a student ambassador to the Roane State Foundation; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee State government and to further his studies, Mr. Russell brought his many abilities

and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2021 session of the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2021 legislative session, J.R. Russell has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, and he has tactfully served the Office of the Senate Republican Caucus; and

WHEREAS, he has distinguished himself as Senator Yager's legislative aide, offering his time and expertise to help him and his staff during the legislative session; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Russell has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum, exemplifying an indomitable spirit and unmatched skill that have garnered the respect of his fellow staff members and legislators; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Jeffrey R. Russell for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Ken Yager 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.