

SENATE RESOLUTION 118

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A RESOLUTION to honor the members of the Montgomery County Emergency Medical Services and the Vanderbilt Life-Flight Crew on their heroism in response to a highway accident.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal concerns to ensure the public safety and welfare, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty in service of the public safety; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition through service as emergency responders, dedicating their time and efforts to saving lives and aiding those in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Montgomery County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the Vanderbilt Life-Flight Crew certainly follow this tradition, having courageously responded to a recent highway accident involving a motorcyclist; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2014, the Montgomery County EMS responded to an accident on Highway 12, immediately taking over CPR and administering aggressive Advance Life Support; and

WHEREAS, after the patient regained a pulse, the team performed an intubated post procedure and administered bi-lateral large bore IVs and bi-lateral chest tubes to stabilize the patient for transport; the patient was then flown to Vanderbilt Hospital by the Vanderbilt Life-Flight team; and

WHEREAS, unfortunately, despite the best efforts and exceptional skill of the members of Montgomery County EMS and Vanderbilt Life-Flight team, the patient died in surgery; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Emergency Medical Services respondents, Captain Gary Perry, Field Training Officer Jesse Ferrell, Paramedic Joe Gluff, EMT Stephanie Read, EMT Caleb Hall, Paramedic Mat Sandifer, and EMT Jennifer Earp; and Vanderbilt Life-Flight crew members, RN/Paramedics Frank Edwards, Joe Brentise, Lynne Kramer, and Pilot Bob Vaughn; fought with exceptional skill, dedication, and expertise to give their patient the best possible chance of survival, and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor the members of the Montgomery County Emergency Medical Services and the Vanderbilt Life-Flight Crew for their meritorious service, commend their heroism and valor, and extend our thanks for all they do to protect the public safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.