

SENATE RESOLUTION 154

By Burks

A RESOLUTION to commend Rachael Catharyn Hamilton Hassler 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, Rachael Catharyn Hamilton Hassler is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Charlotte Burks; Mrs. Hassler's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Mrs. Hassler brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2009 session of the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, a leader among the interns this session, Rachael Hassler, with the help of Legislative Internship Program Administrator Donna Morgan and fellow intern Matthew Kinsey, organized and implemented the Intern Family Day 2009; and

WHEREAS, a student at Tennessee Technological University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Rachael Hassler has achieved academic success while majoring in political science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; she was honored for her academic prowess with inclusion on the Dean's List in the spring semesters of both 2008 and 2009; and

WHEREAS, a highly valued member of her church and a dedicated community volunteer, Mrs. Hassler is active in her school's Latter-Day Saint Student Association and she has served as a volunteer leader at a girls' camp in the summers; and

WHEREAS, combining her love of horses with her desire to serve, Mrs. Hassler participated in Special Equestrians, an organization that utilizes horseback riding as a form of physical therapy for mentally and physically handicapped children and adults; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hassler is deeply devoted to her family as well; she is most grateful for the steadfast support of her husband, Benjamin Graham Hassler, her father, Gary Lee Hamilton, her mother, Pamela Jean Caragianis, and her sister, Candy Jo Hill; and

WHEREAS, with every success, and throughout her life's joys and travails, she carries with her fond memories of her sister, Tiffani-Ann Joy Hamilton Caragianis, who sadly passed away; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2009 legislative session, Rachael Hassler has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, she has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Rachael Catharyn Hamilton Hassler for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Charlotte Burks and extend to her 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.