

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 356
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A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Jason Colt Beard, 2001
Valedictorian of Santa Fe School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jason Colt Beard is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Santa Fe School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jason has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, In his remarkable high school career, Jason Beard has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; he is a Beta Club member, a member of the Student Council, and served as President of the Student Body in his Junior and Senior years; and

WHEREAS, Jason's academic prowess is demonstrated in his receipt of the Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award and the Woodmen of the World History Award; he is also a member of DECA, the Math and Science Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, Jason has been a delegate to SCOPE and Boys' State, is a DARE role model, and has participated as a campaign volunteer outside of the classroom; he is an enthusiastic participant in varsity golf and in basketball, and he has earned the "Mr. Hustle" Award in basketball; and

WHEREAS, Service to his church is very important to Jason, who is very active in his church's youth group and in mission work; he has also had occasion to preach on a part-time basis; and

WHEREAS, Jason's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; he will surely excel at whatever task he may choose to undertake; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beard's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Garry and Elaine Beard, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Jason's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Santa Fe School Valedictorian, Jason Colt Beard, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

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