

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 478
By Ferguson

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Jesse Richmond on his selection as the 2001 Valedictorian of Roane County High School.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those students who, through their natural talents and unwavering commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Richmond is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, His persistence and hard work have earned him recognition as the Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Roane County High School; and

WHEREAS, Through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Jesse has achieved remarkable academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, In his remarkable high school career, Jesse Richmond has earned a commendable grade point average of 4.044; and

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WHEREAS, A well-rounded individual and a sterling scholar, Jesse Richmond has been a valuable participant in many programs and clubs at Roane County High School; and

WHEREAS, Jesse has received numerous awards and honors in recognition of his superior academic performance and his great promise as a collegiate scholar, including the Math Award and the Social Studies Award; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional young man is a National Merit Finalist and will graduate with Highest Honors; he has also been named to *Who's Who*; and

WHEREAS, Jesse will continue his education this fall as a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville through the auspices of the University's Bicentennial Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Richmond epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; in an age where the youth of our country face great challenges, we can proudly state without equivocation that he represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, Jesse is an incredible source of pride for his parents, Roger and Anita Richmond, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Jesse's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Roane County High School surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Richmond'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 honor 2001 Roane County High School Valedictorian, Jesse Richmond, for his many academic achievements, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness 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.

