

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 546
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A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Sarah Elizabeth Taylor on her selection as the First Valedictorian of Cordova 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, Sarah Elizabeth Taylor is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, Her persistence and hard work have earned her recognition as the Valedictorian of the first graduating class (2001) at Cordova High School; and

WHEREAS, Through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Sarah 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 her remarkable high school career, Sarah Taylor has earned a commendable grade point average of 4.0; and

WHEREAS, A well-rounded individual, gifted athlete and sterling scholar, Ms. Taylor has been a valuable participant in many programs and clubs at Cordova High School, including the National Honor Society, the Beta Club, and Mu Alpha Theta; and

WHEREAS, Sarah has received numerous awards and honors in recognition of her academic prowess, and she was a valuable participant in the Governor's School for the Sciences; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being the Valedictorian of her class, Sarah scored an impressive 32 on the ACT exam; and

WHEREAS, A four-year member of the Cordova Tennis team, Sarah won the District 14 AAA Individual Tennis Tournament; she has received the Coaches Award and the Wolfpack Award and has been named to the All-Metro District Team in honor of her great competitive spirit and remarkable fortitude as an athlete; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional young lady was voted "Most Likely To Succeed" and the "Next Female Bill Gates" by her classmates; and

WHEREAS, Sarah will continue her education this fall through the auspices of a Youth Sports Scholarship and a scholarship to Mississippi State University, where she plans to pursue a degree in Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Sarah is also participating in a summer exchange program in Australia; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Taylor 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 she represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, Sarah is an incredible source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Taylor's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Cordova High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Sarah'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 Cordova High School Valedictorian, Sarah Elizabeth Taylor, for her many academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for success and happiness in all her 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.