

HOUSE RESOLUTION 323
By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize David Kyle Parks, 2002
Valedictorian of Sequoyah High 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, David Kyle Parks is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Sequoyah High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Parks 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, David Kyle Parks has earned an exemplary grade point average; he was named a *Knoxville News-Sentinel* Academic Achiever in 2002; and

WHEREAS, born November 18, 1983 in Jacksonville, North Carolina, near the Atlantic coast, Mr. Parks spent much of his childhood on the beach and at motorcar racetracks; in 1996,

he moved to Madisonville enrolling in Madisonville Middle School before entering Sequoyah High School; and

WHEREAS, a talented and accomplished athlete, David Kyle Parks was Captain of the Varsity Soccer team and was named the 2001 Player of the Year; he also participated in cross-country and served as a volleyball line judge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Parks was a Tennessee Math Contest finalist in 2000, and in regional Math contests scored first in Geometry, second in Algebra II and sixth in Calculus; he was named the Chamber of Commerce "Student of the Year" in 2002 and has served as Captain of his school's Scholar's Bowl team; and

WHEREAS, David Kyle Parks received the Senior Superlative designation as "Most Likely to Succeed" and was designated winner of the Key Club Annual Award for "Dutiful Service to Others"; he has served as a Convention Delegate to Key Club International, as a Graduation Usher, a Grand March Escort at Test Board of Knoxville in 2001, and a member of the SACS Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Parks is an active and dedicated member of the Baptist Church in the Christianburg community; he enjoys spending leisure time engaging in gourmet cooking, trout fishing and being with his friends; and

WHEREAS, David Kyle Parks' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Parks' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, James and Nancy Parks, his sister Mallory, his brother Dylan, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, David Kyle Parks' 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, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Sequoyah High School Valedictorian, David Kyle Parks, 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.