

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1099  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joseph "Joe" Samuel Gettinger, 2006 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, Joseph "Joe" Samuel Gettinger is one such exceptional student, who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Sequoyah High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Joe Gettinger 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, Joe Gettinger has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, participating in numerous school activities and organizations, Mr. Gettinger is captain of the soccer team, pit captain of the marching band, editor of the yearbook, captain of the Scholars Bowl Team, head delegate for the Model United Nations, and senior class president; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Joe Gettinger is a Chemistry Olympiad Finalist and National Merit Scholar, a testament to his academic talent and abilities; and

WHEREAS, committed to academic excellence in every endeavor, Mr. Gettinger obtained Regional Placement in the State Math Contest; and

WHEREAS, a participant in the Governor's School for International Studies, Joe Gettinger spent four months abroad during his sophomore year at Tichun Ramah Yerushalaim, a high school in Israel; and

WHEREAS, Joe Gettinger's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success, and he plans to attend either Yale or Swarthmore in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gettinger's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Barb Levin and Josh Gettinger, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Joe Gettinger'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 FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Sequoyah High School Valedictorian, Joseph "Joe" Samuel Gettinger, 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.