

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 916

By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ana Rosales upon being named the Sevier County Learner of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those individuals who thirst for knowledge and diligently strive to improve themselves through the avenue of education; and

WHEREAS, Ana Rosales is one such noteworthy Tennessean, who was recently named the Sevier County Learner of the Year for her unwavering commitment to education; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Sevierville, Tennessee, Ana Rosales endured a tumultuous childhood in El Salvador; and

WHEREAS, when Ana Rosales was eight, her mother died, and she had to quit school to help care for her brothers and sisters; and

WHEREAS, twelve years ago, Ms. Rosales fled to the United States to escape a brutal war in El Salvador, and she moved to Sevier County seven years ago to seek employment; and

WHEREAS, a reliable and dedicated employee at Applewood Farm House Restaurant, Ana Rosales began taking classes at the Sevier County Adult Education center to learn English; and

WHEREAS, taking algebra, language arts, science, and social studies classes, Ana Rosales excelled in the classroom, as she developed a remarkable vocabulary, organizational and critical thinking skills, and English fluency; and

WHEREAS, due to her commitment to academic excellence, Ms. Rosales passed the high school equivalency test (GED) and earned her high school diploma; and

WHEREAS, Ana Rosales epitomizes the spirit of volunteerism and commitment to excellence that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, Ana Rosales's display of intellectual aptitude, determination in the face of adversity, and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to specially recognize Ana Rosales for her display of diligence and courage in obtaining her GED and earning the 2006 Sevier County Learner of the Year Award; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Ana Rosales upon being named the 2006 Sevier County Learner of the Year, commend her dedication to academic excellence, and wish her every success in all 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.