

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1087

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kortney Knight, 2008  
Salutatorian of Stewart County 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, Kortney Knight is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2008 graduating class at Stewart County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Knight has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Kortney has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, such as Beta Club, Future Business Leaders of America and Business Professionals of America, and her school's band; and

WHEREAS, her academic prowess has been recognized by her receipt of many awards and accolades, including the Girl Scout Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards; academic awards in Document Creation Design, Geometry, Accounting I, and Anatomy and Physiology; the UT Martin Chancellor's Award; and the USAA National English, Science, and Cheerleader Merit Awards; in addition to being listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* for four years and attending several leadership conferences, camps, and workshops; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Knight has demonstrated incredible musical ability as a valuable member of her school's band, and she has attended a number of honor bands; and

WHEREAS, Kortney evinces her deep, Christian faith at the First Baptist Church of Dover as well as the Full Gospel Family Worship Center, where she participates in Impact Youth and the Praise and Worship Band; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she plans to major in music education; and

WHEREAS, Kortney Knight's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Michaela and Ricky Knight, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Knight's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Stewart County High School Salutatorian, Kortney Michaela Knight, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her 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.