

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 234

By Evans

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. Carl Strassle upon receiving the White House Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award and the *Robertson County Times* Citizen of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Carl Strassle, an esteemed resident of White House, is the 2009 winner of the White House Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award and was also named 2009 *Robertson County Times* Citizen of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strassle is an astute and dedicated community leader who has earned the respect of his peers for the exemplary quality of his work and the unwavering commitment of his time and energies; and

WHEREAS, he has devoted his time to volunteer with the American Legion, of which he was Commander for a number of years; in this capacity, he proudly raised the flag at White House High School football games; and

WHEREAS, an experienced and able leader, Carl Strassle has proven instrumental in organizing the children's Christmas party and the Veterans dinner, both hosted by the American Legion each year; and

WHEREAS, he has also lent his superb leadership to the Lions Club, serving as President and working assiduously to make eye testing available to students at the White House elementary schools; in this esteemed position, Mr. Strassle also has helped coordinate the annual Fourth of July auction to support a sight loss prevention program run by the Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, Carl Strassle's service to the Lions Club extends beyond the White House Club and into the regional sphere of Lions Club volunteer positions; and

WHEREAS, in his professional career, he has served with acumen and alacrity as a band director and music teacher in White House, sharing the gift of music with countless children; he is currently employed as a real estate agent and was recently voted Agent of the Year by his peers at the Goodlettsville Crye-Leike office; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strassle is a faithful member of his church, which he serves continually as an active member of the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, despite his many remarkable activities, he still finds time to serve the City of White House as a member of numerous communities devoted to improving the quality of life for White House residents; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his tireless service to his community, Mr. Strassle also nobly served his State and Nation during World War II as a tail gunner; and

WHEREAS, the greater White House community and the State of Tennessee are undoubtedly better places to live because of the life and service of Carl Strassle; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Mr. Strassle who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Carl Strassle for his many contributions to the good people of Tennessee, his unwavering commitment to others, and his astute leadership in White House; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Mr. Carl Strassle, upon receiving the White House Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award as well as the *Robertson County Times* Citizen of the Year Award, commend his outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.